

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF FALHER**

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2014

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

PRESENT : Mayor Buchinski
Councillors: Gary Braithwaite
Lynn Farrell
Rene Limoges
Sandra Primeau
Administration: Adele Parker
Ernest Marchildon
Jacqueline Hébert

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Buchinski called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

The agenda was amended as follows:

Additions

- Other business - personnel

Res. 14-103 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the agenda be approved as amended.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Res. 14-104

Minutes of March 10, 2014 regular meeting

Moved by Councillor Limoges that the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 10, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-105

Minutes of March 18, 2014 budget meeting

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the minutes of the budget meeting held on March 18, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

Res. 14-106

Cost of Development Agreement - Altex

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the town request Peace Regional Economic Development Alliance waive the town's membership fee for five years in exchange for the Altex development agreement.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

- Res. 14-107** **Display Signage for Town**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that this item be tabled.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED
- Res. 14-108** **Town of McLennan 100th Celebration**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that in exchange for putting up the tent for
honey festival that the Town be allowed to donate the two honey festival
tents to the Town of McLennan for their 100th Celebration.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED
- Res. 14-109** **Capital Investment Co-op of Smoky River**
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the attached proposal from Capital
Investment Co-op of Smoky River be accepted.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED
- FINANCIAL**
- Res. 14-110** **Bank Reconciliation**
Moved by Councillor Farrell to rescind Res. 14-73.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED
- Res. 14-111** Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that a Bank Reconciliation for the period
ending February 28, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED
- Res. 14-112** Moved by Councillor Farrell that a Bank Reconciliation for the period
ending March 31, 2014 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED
- Res. 14-113** **Bills for Payment**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that bills paid on March 26, 2014 totalling the
sum of \$42,605.86 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED
- Res. 14-114** Moved by Councillor Farrell that the list of accounts payable totalling the
sum of \$120,258.31 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and
Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-115 **Income Statement**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Income Statements for the periods ending December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2014 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-116 **2013 Financial Statement**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Town of Falher's Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2013 be approved as presented.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-117 **2013 Financial Statement Advertisement**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that an advertisement be placed in the Smoky River Express advising ratepayers that a copy of the 2013 Financial Statement will be available at the Town Office.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-118 **Payout of Debentures**
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Alberta Capital Finance Authority debenture no. 47 be paid out.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Res. 14-119 **Falher Recreation Development Society - Keys**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the request from Falher Recreation Development Society for keys to access the arena ice surface when hosting an open house be denied.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-120 **Falher Recreation Development Society - Agreement**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that this item be tabled.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Jackie Hockey 8:25 p.m.
Falher Library

Gave overview of the Falher Library programs and usage statistics.

Jackie Hockey left at 8:54 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 8:56 p.m.
Meeting reconvened at 9:04 p.m.

- Res. 14-121** **Town Office Flooring**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that the town office flooring contract be awarded to United Floors for the total sum of \$13,041.00.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-122** **Smoky River FCSS & SR Water & Waste Office Use**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that this item be brought to the regional meeting.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-123** **Falher Honey Festival**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that Falher Honey Festival Committee be authorized to hold the Falher Honey Festival beer gardens at the following locations:
- Falher Regional Recreation Complex curling rink and outdoors east of the curling rink for the tent area.
 - Tent area at the baseball diamonds
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-124** **Summer Student Wages**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that summer student wages be set at \$13.40 per hour.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-125** **Smoky River Tourism**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that the Town of Falher contribute \$3.00 per capita to Smoky River Tourism for 2014.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-126** **Smoky River Waste Commission**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that the Town contract out equipment operators to Smoky River Waste Commission at \$35.00 per hour.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED
- Res. 14-127** **Campground Attendant**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that the campground attendant be authorized to up put a chain link fence for her two Jack Russell Terriers subject that the area to be fenced be established by Ernest Marchildon.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau
- CARRIED

Res. 14-128 **Peace Regional Victim Services**
 Moved by Councillor Farrell that the Town of Falher contribute \$1.00 per capita to Peace Regional Victim Services for 2014.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-129 **Long Run Exploration Personal Consultation**
 Moved by Councillor Farrell that the correspondence from Long Run Exploration (file S14706) dated April 1, 2014 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-130
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the correspondence from Long Run Exploration (file E04946) dated April 8, 2014 be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Smoky River Tourism Display

Sandra Primeau agreed to update the Town's display at the Tourism Centre.

Res. 14-131 **Correspondence**
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that the attached correspondence be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports

Councillor Braithwaite

- Smoky River Ag Society – February 13, 2014
- Smoky River Tourism – March 5, 2014
- Smoky River Ag Society – March 13, 2014

Councillor Farrell

- Falher Honey Festival – February 26, 2014
- Falher Library – March 4, 2014
- Falher Library bylaws & procedures – March 6, 2014

Councillor Primeau

- High Prairie School Division – March 20, 2014
- CEC – March 22, 2014

Mayor Buchinski

- Physician Retention – March 4, 2014
- ACFA flag raising – March 7, 2014
- Regional Fire Department – March 11, 2014
- Physician Recruitment – March 12, 2014
- Atoms Provincial Tournament – March 14, 2014
- High Prairie School Division – March 17, 2014
- AUMA Towns West – March 18, 2014
- Smoky River Transportation – March 19, 2014
- Heart River Housing – March 20, 2014
- Smoky River Regional Waste & Water – March 24, 2014

Res. 14-132 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Committee Reports be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Director of Public Works Report

The Director of Public Works reported on the following matters:

- Finished thawing out culverts
- Will start street sweeping

Res. 14-133 Moved by Councillor Farrell that the reports from the Director of Public Works be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Recreation Coordinator Report

Res. 14-134 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Recreation Coordinator Report be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Extend Meeting

Res. 14-135 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite to extend meeting to 10:30 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List

Res. 14-136 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Chief Administrative Officer's report and action list be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

COUNCIL CONCERNS

- Replacement schedule for fixing asphalt curb which get damaged
- Pruning of trees that block sight of street signs
- Campground sign looks faded
- Home insurance concern for Block X resident
- Minor Hockey would like the kitchen to open up earlier in the season

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Res. 14-137

In Camera

Moved by Councillor Primeau that council go in-camera to discuss personnel issues at 10:09 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-138 **Out of Camera**
Moved by Councillor Primeau that council returns to an open meeting at 10: 34 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-139 **RRSP Contribution**
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Policy 302 being the Group Registered Retirement Savings Plan be amended as follows:

- The Employer shall contribute an amount equivalent to 7.5% of the employee's gross earnings to the employee's group registered retirement savings plan.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

Res. 14-140 **Budget Meeting**
Moved by Councillor Farrell that a budget meeting be set for May 12, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 10:36 p.m.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator