

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

**IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 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 7:02 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF  
AGENDA**

**Res. 14-392** Moved by Councillor Primeau that the agenda be approved as presented.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-393** Moved by Councillor Farrell to recess the Regular Council Meeting.

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

CARRIED

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** **Proposed Land Use Bylaw No. 14-05**

**Res. 14-394** Moved by Councillor Primeau to commence the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m.

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

CARRIED

Adele Parker informed Council that no comments or objections were received for Land Use Bylaw No. 14-05.

**Res. 14-395** Moved by Councillor Farrell to close the Public Hearing and reconvene the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:04 p.m.

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

CARRIED

**DELEGATIONS**

STARS (Shock Trauma Air Rescue Society)  
Glenda Farnden 7:04 p.m.

Glenda Farnden gave a presentation on STARS, explained what services they offer, where they are located, what area they service, equipment on the helicopter, traveling classroom, fundraising and statistics.

Glenda Farnden left the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

**Philip Rough – Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency joined the meeting at 7:31 p.m.**

- Res. 14-396** Land Use Bylaw No. 14-05  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Bylaw No. 14-05 be given a second reading.  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
 CARRIED

- Res. 14- 397** Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Bylaw No. 14-05 be given a third and final- reading.  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
 CARRIED

**Philip Rough left the meeting at 7:43 p.m.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Res. 14-398** Minutes of November 10, 2014 regular meeting  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 10, 2014 be approved as circulated.  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
 CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING**

- Res. 14-399** Falher Recreation Development Society  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Mayor and Municipal Administrator be authorized to execute a gym lease agreement with Falher Recreation Development Society.  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
 CARRIED

- Res. 14-400** Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Town of Falher become a member of Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency for 2015 and 2016.  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
 CARRIED

- Res. 14-401** Concerto Representative  
 Moved by Councillor Farrell that Guy Beaudoin be appointed as the Town of Falher representative for the Réseau Concerto of the Conseil de Développement Économique de l'Alberta.  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
 CARRIED

- Res. 14-402** Capital Investment Co-op of Smoky River  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau to accept the December 1, 2014 letter from Capital Investment Co-op of Smoky River and that Lot 8 Block 14 of Phase 1 of the Falher Central Area Structure Plan no longer be reserved

for Capital Investment Co-op of Smoky River.

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

CARRIED

**Bylaw Enforcement Agreement**

This item was discussed, waiting for new agreement from the Town of High Prairie.

**Ernie Marchildon left the meeting at 7:55 p.m. and rejoined at 7:56 p.m.**

**FCM Conference and Trade Show**

**Res. 14-403**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Mayor, one Councillor, and the Municipal Administrator attend the 2015 FCM Conference to be held in Edmonton on June 5-8, 2015.

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

CARRIED

**AUMA Convention**

**Res. 14-404**

Moved by Councillor Farrell that the Mayor, two Councillors, and the Municipal Administrator attend the 2015 AUMA Convention to be held in Calgary on September 23-25, 2015.

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

CARRIED

**FINANCIAL**

**Bank Reconciliation**

**Res. 14-405**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending November 30, 2014 be approved as circulated.

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

CARRIED

**Bills for Payment**

**Res. 14-406**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that bills paid on November 24, 2014 totalling the sum of \$28,116.64 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-407**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the list of accounts payable totalling the sum of \$605,102.81 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Income Statement**

**Res. 14-408**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Income Statement for the period ending November 30, 2014 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-409**      **2015 Budgetary Items – Phone System**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that a new telephone system be purchased in 2015 from Custom Communication & Security Inc. for \$5,060.00.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-410**      **2015 Budgetary Items – Water Rate**  
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that in 2015 funds from the water operating reserve be used to subsidize the water fee by \$0.25 per cubic meter and that the water rate be set at \$4.25 per cubic meter.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-411**      **2015 Budgetary Items – Waste & Recycling**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that in 2015 funds from the waste operating reserve be used to subsidize waste collection by \$0.50 per unit per month and recycling by \$0.10 per unit per month and that the waste collection and disposal fee be set at \$16.25 per unit per month and that the recycling fee be set at \$4.50 per unit per month.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-412**      **2015 Utility Rates – Sewer Rate**  
 Moved by Councillor Farrell that in 2015 the non-residential sewer rate be decreased to 12.5% of water usage with a minimum charge of \$9.00.

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

CARRIED

**Ernie left at 9:23 p.m. at rejoined at 9:24 p.m.**

**Res. 14-413**      **2015 Interim Budget**  
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that the 2014 Estimate of Revenues and Expenditures be adopted as the Town's Interim Operational Budget for the year 2015.

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

CARRIED

## BYLAWS

**Res. 14-414**      **Local Improvement Bylaw 14-09**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Willowview sub-division resident's local improvement fee be financed as follows:

- Interest - 2.818% per annum
- Amortization – 15 years
- Payout without penalty – by January 30, 2015
- Penalty for payout after January 30, 2014 – 90 days interest on balance owing

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

CARRIED

- Res. 14-415**      **Local Improvement Bylaw 14-09**  
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that Bylaw No. 14-09 be given a first reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 14-416**      Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Bylaw No. 14-09 be given a second reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 14-417**      Moved by Councillor Primeau that Bylaw No. 14-09 be presented for a third reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 14-418**      Moved by Councillor Primeau that Bylaw No. 14-09 be given a third and final reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 14-419**      **Policy 108-1 – Chief Administrative Officer Job Description**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the amended Chief Administrative Officer Job Description Policy No. 108-1 be approved.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
  
 CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Res. 14-420**      **Recreation Coordinator – Cell Phone**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that effective December 2014 the Town pay \$30.00 per month to reimburse the Recreation Coordinator for the use of her personal cell phone for Town related calls.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
  
 CARRIED

**Falher Regional Recreation Complex**

This item was discussed.

- Res. 14-421**      **2015 Janitor Agreement**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Mayor and Municipal Administrator be authorized to enter into an agreement with Lise Therrien for the Town Office janitor services from March 1, 2015 to February 29, 2016.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Farrell, Limoges, and Primeau  
  
 CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE****Res. 14-422**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the attached correspondence be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**COMMITTEE REPORTS****Committee Reports****Councillor Farrell**

- Economic Development – October 28, 2014
- Falher Library – November 4, 2014
- Peace Library System – November 29, 2014

**Councillor Primeau**

- CEC Meeting – November 4, 2014
- CEC Open House – November 19, 2014
- National Child Day – November 20, 2014
- Honey Festival Info Evening – November 24, 2014

**Mayor Buchinski**

- Northern Lakes College – November 19, 2014
- Heart River Housing – November 20, 2014
- Falher Honey Festival – November 24, 2014
- Peace Health Advisory Council – November 27, 2014

**Res. 14-423**

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:

- Ice plant – break down
- Water break – slow leak

**Res. 14-424**

Moved by Councillor Farrell that the oral report from the Director of Public Works be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Recreation Coordinator Report****Res. 14-425**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Recreation Coordinator Report be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List****Res. 14-426**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Chief Administrative Officer's report and action list be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-427**                    **Extend Council Meeting**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau to extent the regular Council Meeting to 10:30 p.m.

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

CARRIED

**COUNCIL CONCERNS**

- Campground sign repair

**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**Res. 14-428**                    **In Camera**  
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that council go in-camera to discuss personnel at 10:00 p.m.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-429**                    **Out of Camera**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that council returns to an open meeting at 10:19 p.m.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 14-430**                    **Employee Health Benefits**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Town of Falher be authorized to change the employer group benefit provider subject to the Town of Falher employees' acceptance.

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

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:            Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 10:19 p.m.

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 Mayor

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 Municipal Administrator