

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

**IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015**

**IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

PRESENT : Mayor Buchinski  
Councillors: Gary Braithwaite  
Rene Limoges  
Sandra Primeau  
Marie St. Laurent  
Administration: Ernest Marchildon  
Jacqueline Hébert

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

**ACCEPTANCE OF  
AGENDA**

**Res. 15-131** Moved by Councillor Limoges that the agenda be approved as presented.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Res. 15-132** Moved by Councillor Primeau to recess the Council Meeting and proceed to the Public Hearing.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Res. 15-133**

**Proposed bylaw to rezone Lot 1 Plan 7821802 from M1 to M2**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent to commence the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

Received no objections to the re-zoning of Lot 1 Plan 782,1802 from Light Industrial to Heavy Industrial

**Res. 15-134** Moved by Councillor Primeau to close the Public Hearing and reconvene the Regular Meeting of Council.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

**Res. 15-135**

**Minutes of April 9, 2015 budget meeting**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that the minutes of the budget meeting held on April 9, 2015 be approved as circulated.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

- Res. 15-136**      **Minutes of April 13, 2015 regular meeting**  
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 13, 2015 be approved as circulated.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-137**      **Minutes of April 20, 2015 special meeting**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the minutes of the special meeting held on April 20, 2015 be approved as circulated.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- BUSINESS ARISING**
- Concerto**  
 Council reviewed the suggested list of invitees to the Concerto October celebration.
- FINANCIAL**
- Res. 15-138**      **Bank Reconciliation**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending March 31, 2015 be approved as circulated.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-139**      Moved by Councillor Primeau that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending April 30, 2015 be approved as circulated.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-140**      **Bills for Payment**  
 Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that bills paid on April 22, 2015 totalling the sum of \$36,591.94 be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-141**      Moved by Councillor Limoges that the list of accounts payable totalling the sum of \$120,759.63 be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-142**      **Income Statement**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Income Statement for the period ending April 30, 2015 be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED

**BYLAWS**

- Res. 15-143**      **Bylaw 15-02 to amend the Land Use Bylaw 14-05**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Bylaw No. 15-02 be given a second reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 15-144**      Moved by Councillor Limoges that Bylaw No. 15-02 be given a third and final reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 15-145**      **Bylaw 15-03 to set the rate of taxation to be levied**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Bylaw No. 15-03 be given a first reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 15-146**      Moved by Councillor Primeau that Bylaw No. 15-03 be given a second reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 15-147**      Moved by Councillor Limoges that Bylaw No. 15-03 be presented for a third reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 15-148**      Moved by Councillor Primeau that Bylaw No. 15-03 be given a third and final reading.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED
- NEW BUSINESS**
- Res. 15-149**      **Recreation - FABuLAS**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that this item be tabled.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED
- Res. 15-150**      **Recreation – Swimming Pool Manual**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that this item be accepted as information.  
  
 FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent  
  
 CARRIED

- Res. 15-151**      **Recreation - Manatees**  
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Town agrees to maintain the pool rental fee to Smoky River Manatees at \$45.00 per hour for 2015 and that the hours set aside for Smoky River Manatees be from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday and that public swim go from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-152**      **Recreation – Falher Regional Recreation Complex**  
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Town refund Falher Recreation Development Society \$41.59 for the repairs to the automatic toilets located in the Falher Regional Recreation Complex gym.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-153**      **Recreation – Ball Diamonds**  
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Mayor and Municipal Administrator be authorized to enter into an agreement with Smoky River Ball Club for the use of the ball diamonds.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-154**      **2015 Fire Chief Budget**  
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the 2015 fire chief budget be approved.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-155**      **Smoky River Fire Department Grant Amendment**  
Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Town of Falher approves the amendment of the Fire Department Regionalization of Emergency Grant, so that the balance of the grant can be used to purchase a Regional Emergency Service Vehicle.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 15-156**      **Hector Goudreau**  
Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that this item be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent
- CARRIED

**Provincial Government****Res. 15-157**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that a letter be sent to the new Minister of Municipal Affairs stating the following items as concerns and priorities for the Town of Falher:

- Taxes-in-lieu for Heart River Housing properties
- Minimum wages and its impact on small businesses
- Importance of MSI funding

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE****FCM Scholarships****Res. 15-158**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that this item be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Correspondence****Res. 15-159**

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

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**COMMITTEE REPORTS****Committee Reports**Councillor Braithwaite

- Honey Festival – April 8, 2015
- Altex Meeting – April 20, 2015
- Smoky River Ag Society – April 23, 2015
- Regional Ag Society – April 25, 2015
- Honey Festival – April 29, 2015

Councillor Limoges

- Regional Meeting – April 21, 2015

Councillor St. Laurent

- Smoky River Water Commission – April 23, 2015
- Smoky River Waste Commission – April 23, 2015

Mayor Buchinski

- Smoky River Transportation – April 8, 2015
- Regional Meeting – April 21, 2015
- CEC – April 22, 2015
- Heart River Housing – April 23, 2015

**Res. 15-160**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Committee Reports be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Director of Public Works Report**

The Director of Public Works reported on the following matters:

- Pool - ready for operation, Public Health coming on Thursday to inspect
- Splash Park – foundation for the mechanical building
- Summer students – three students have started
- Campground - up and operating
- Willowview – topsoil has metal and debris, child injured, removal of debris starting this week

**Res. 15-161**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the reports from the Director of Public Works be accepted as information.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Recreation Coordinator Report****Res. 15-162**

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

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List****Res. 15-163**

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

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**COUNCIL CONCERNS**

- Unsightly property – Council was informed that inspections are being done and letters have been sent
- Town entrance sign needs to be more attractive

Meeting recessed at 9:08 p.m. and reconvened at 9:15 p.m.

**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS****Res. 15-164****In Camera**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that council go in-camera at 9:15 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Res. 15-165****Out of Camera**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that council returns to an open meeting at 10:21 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Res. 15-166****Extend Meeting**

Moved by Councillor Primeau to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Res. 15-167**      **Proposed Sale of Town Property**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that administration be authorized to negotiate with a prospective buyer for Lot 4 Block 18 Plan 862 2713 and that Council agrees with the suggested sale price of \$53,000 but that the cost of subdividing the lot be covered by the prospective buyer.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Res. 15-168**      **Next Regular Meeting**  
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the next regular council meeting be set for June 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

**Res. 15-169**      **Special Meeting**  
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that a special meeting be set for June 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Limoges, Primeau, and St. Laurent

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:      Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 10:23 p.m.

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 Mayor

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 Municipal Administrator