

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

**IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017**

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

PRESENT : Mayor Buchinski  
Councillors: Gary Braithwaite  
Lindsay Brown  
Rene Limoges  
Sandra Primeau  
Marie St. Laurent  
Administration: Adele Parker  
Ernest Marchildon  
Jacqueline Hébert  
Philip Rough

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Buchinski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ACCEPTANCE OF  
AGENDA**

**Res. 17-106** Moved by Councillor Brown that the agenda be approved as presented.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-107** Moved by Councillor St. Laurent to recess the Council Meeting and  
commence the Public Hearing.

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

CARRIED

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Revised Central Falher Area Structure Plan**

No objections or concerns were filed with the Municipal Administrator  
with regards to the Revised Central Falher Area Structure Plan.

**Res. 17-108** Moved by Councillor Braithwaite to close the Public Hearing and  
reconvene the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:01 p.m.

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

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

**Res. 17-109** **Minutes of March 13, 2017 regular meeting**  
Moved by Councillor Primeau that the minutes of the regular meeting  
held on March 13, 2017 be approved as circulated.

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

CARRIED

**Minutes of March 8, 2017 budget meeting****Res. 17-110**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the minutes of the budget meeting held on March 8, 2017 be approved as circulated.

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

CARRIED

**DELEGATION**

Anne Lanctot – did not show up

**BUSINESS  
ARISING****Manatees****Res. 17-111**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the proposed changes to the agreement with Smoky River Manatees be denied.

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

CARRIED

**FINANCIAL****Bank Reconciliation****Res. 17-112**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending March 31, 2017 be approved as circulated.

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

CARRIED

**Bills for Payment****Res. 17-113**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that bills paid on March 23, 2017 totalling the sum of \$453,352.67 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-114**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the list of accounts payable totalling the sum of \$178,105.17 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**Income Statement****Res. 17-115**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Income Statement for the period ending March 31, 2017 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

**2016 Financial Statement****Res. 17-116**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the auditor comes to a meeting to go over the financial statements.

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

CARRIED

**BYLAWS &  
POLICIES****Res. 17-117****Bylaw to adopt revised Central Falher Area Structure Plan**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that Bylaw No. 17-03 be given a second reading.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-118**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that Bylaw No. 17-03 be given a third and final reading.

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

CARRIED

**Bylaw to Change the Number of Councillors Elected on Council**

Council chose not to change the number of Councillors

**NEW BUSINESS****Res. 17-119****Recreation Complex – Caretaker Position**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that Recreation Complex Caretaker/Public Works Labourer Policy No. 108-07 be approved.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-120**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that Council approve the hiring of a fulltime permanent Caretaker/Public Works Labourer to start in May 2017.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-121****Recreation Complex - Floor Maintenance**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Town purchase a Clarke FM40 LX removal/polisher floor machine.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-122****Recreation Complex – Year Round Use**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Director of Community Services be authorized to research the feasibility of year round use of the Falher Regional Recreation Complex.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-123****Falher Regional Pool – Pool Fees**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that the proposed 2017 pool fees be amended as per attached.

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

CARRIED

**Falher Regional Pool – Pool & Splash Park Season****Res. 17-124**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that Falher Regional Pool and Honey Capital Splash Park be opened for the 2017 season as follows:

- Pool – from Friday, May 12, 2017 to Wednesday, August 23, 2017
- Splash Park – from Wednesday, June 14, 2017 to Tuesday, September 5, 2017

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

CARRIED

**Falher Regional Pool – FCC AgriSpirit Grant****Res. 17-125**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent to proceed with the FCC AgriSpirit Grant Application and that a letter of support be provided.

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

CARRIED

**Town of Falher Sign****Res. 17-126**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that this item be tabled to fall 2017.

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

CARRIED

**Summer Student Wages****Res. 17-127**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that parks summer student wages be increased to \$14.00 per hour for the 2017 season with an additional increase in 2018 to \$14.50, and an increase to \$15.00 in 2019.

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

CARRIED

**Altex Energy****Res. 17-128**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that Altex Energy's new business proposal be approved.

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

CARRIED

**Recycling****Res. 17-129**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that a request from a resident to drop curbside recycling be denied.

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

CARRIED

**Falher Intermunicipal Library – Trustee Application Form****Res. 17-130**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent to approve the Intermunicipal Trustee Application Form with any changes the Falher Intermunicipal Library feel necessary.

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

CARRIED

- Res. 17-131** **Falher Intermunicipal Library – Trustee Applicant**  
 Moved by Councillor Brown to approve the Intermunicipal Trustee Application received from Mrs. Lynn Farrell.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-132** **Falher Intermunicipal Library - Bylaws**  
 Moved by Councillor Brown to approve as presented the attached changes to the Falher Intermunicipal Library Bylaws.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-133** **Honey Festival**  
 Moved by Councillor St. Laurent to approve the free use of the dishes, cutlery, sandwich bar and riser for the Mead and Greet Honey Festival fundraising dinner on May 13, 2017.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-134** **Town of Peace River**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that a letter of support be sent to the Minister of Health expressing concerns regarding Alberta Health Services air ambulance contract.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-135** **Community Garden**  
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that Guy Beaudoin be authorized to use two acres of land behind the tourism building for a pilot community garden project for 2017.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- CORRESPONDENCE**
- Res. 17-136** **FCM**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Town not contribute to FCM's legal defence fund for 2017.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-137** **Correspondence**  
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the attached correspondence be accepted as information.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED

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

- Honey Festival – March 1, 2017
- Airport Meeting – March 1, 2017
- Disaster Services – March 7, 2017
- Smoky River Ag Society – March 9, 2017
- Honey Festival – March 14, 2017
- Tourism/Chamber of Commerce – March 15, 2017
- Farm Safety Day Event
- Tourism/Chamber of Commerce – March 22, 2017
- Hone Festival AGM – March 23, 2017

**Councillor Brown**

- Library Committee – March 9, 2017
- Peace Library System – March 25, 2017

**Mayor Buchinski**

- Economic Development – February 28, 2017
- Meeting with MP Veirsen – March 2, 2017
- Disaster Services – March 7, 2017
- Physician Recruitment – March 9, 2017
- Regional Committee – March 14, 2017

**Res. 17-138**

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

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

CARRIED

**Director of Public Works Report**

The Director of Public Works reported on the following matters:

- Spring cleaning
- New street sweeper should be arriving soon
- Scheduling arena compressor rebuild
- Arena repairs

**Res. 17-139**

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

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

CARRIED

**Director of Community Services****Res. 17-140**

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

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

CARRIED

**Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List****Res. 17-141**

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

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-142**      **Next Meeting**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the next regular council meeting be set for May 15, 2017.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-143**      **Financial Statement**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Town of Falher's Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2016 be approved as presented.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-144**

Moved by Councillor Brown that an advertisement be placed in the Smoky River Express advising ratepayers that a copy of the 2016 Financial Statement will be available at the Town Office.

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

CARRIED

**Res. 17-145**      **Budget Meeting**

Moved by Councillor Limoges that a budget meeting be set for April 19, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

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

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Buchinski adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

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Mayor

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Municipal Administrator