

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

IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 15, 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: Ernest Marchildon
Jacqueline Hébert

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

**ACCEPTANCE OF
AGENDA**

Res. 17-146 Moved by Councillor Brown that the agenda be approved as presented.

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

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Res. 17-147 **Minutes of April 10, 2017 regular meeting**
Moved by Councillor Limoges that the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 10, 2017 be approved as circulated.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-148 **Minutes of April 19, 2017 budget meeting**
Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 19, 2017 be approved as circulated.

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

CARRIED

DELEGATION

McLennan RCMP
Sergeant Mark MacDougald

- Changes in staffing

Councillor Primeau joined the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

- Statistical report for 2016 & 2017
- Drugs
- Honey Festival

Sergeant MacDougald left the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

Res. 17-149

Utility Right-of-Way

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Mayor and Administrator meet with the landowner of Lot 35, Block 15, Plan 7621500 to discuss the town's position and to come to an agreement regarding the utility right-of-way on Lot 33R, Block 15, Plan 7621500.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-150

Carbon Tax

Moved by Councillor Limoges that the carbon tax notice to be included with the property tax notice read as follows:

The additional cost for the Town of Falher 2017 budget for the Carbon Tax levy is estimated at \$7000.00.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-151

Asset Management

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Town of Falher participate in a joint application with the Municipal District of Smoky River, Town of McLennan, Village of Donnelly and Village of Girouxville for funding through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for the Smoky River Regional Asset Management project and that the Municipal District of Smoky River be appointed as the managing partner for this project.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-152

Asset Management – Letter of Support

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that a letter of support be sent to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities confirming the Town of Falher's agreement with the Municipal District of Smoky River application for funding for the Smoky River Regional Asset Management project.

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

CARRIED

FINANCIAL

Res. 17-153

Bank Reconciliation

Moved by Councillor Primeau that a Bank Reconciliation for the period ending April 30, 2017 be approved as circulated.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-154

Bills for Payment

Moved by Councillor Limoges that bills paid April 12, 2017 to April 24, 2017 totalling the sum of \$22,155.11 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-155 Moved by Councillor Primeau that bills paid May 4, 2017 to May 8, 2017 totalling the sum of \$460,265.39 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-156 **Income Statement**
Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Income Statement for the period ending April 30, 2017 be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-157 **2017 Capital Projects**
Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that attached proposed 2017 capital projects be approved.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-158 **2017 Budget**
Moved by Councillor Brown that the 2017 Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures and Capital Finances Acquired and Applied be approved.

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

CARRIED

**BYLAWS &
POLICIES**

Res. 17-159 **2017 Rates of Taxation Bylaw**
Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that Bylaw No. 17-04 be given a first reading.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-160 Moved by Councillor Primeau that Bylaw No. 17-04 be given a second reading.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-161 Moved by Councillor Primeau that Bylaw No. 17-04 be presented for a third reading.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-162 Moved by Councillor Limoges that Bylaw No. 17-04 be given a third and final reading.

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

CARRIED

Meeting recessed at 8:06 p.m. and reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

- Res. 17-163** **Honey Capital Park – Splash Park**
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that Resolution 17-124 be repealed.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau
 and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-164** Moved by Councillor Limoges that the 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 May 26, 2017 to Tuesday, September 5,
 2017
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau
 and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-165** Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Splash Park hours of operation for
 the month of July be from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday to Sunday.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau
 and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-166** **Honey Capital Park – Phase 3**
 Moved by Councillor Brown that this item be tabled.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau
 and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-167** **Friendship Hill**
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that the stairs and tires at the Friendship Hill
 Park be removed in 2017.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau
 and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-168** **Falher Regional Recreation Complex – Smoky River Minor Hockey**
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that the Mayor and Director of Community
 Services be authorized to enter into an agreement with Smoky River Minor
 Hockey for the 2017/2018 season.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau
 and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-169** **Falher Regional Recreation Complex – Falher Rec Development Society**
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Mayor and Director of
 Community Services be authorized to enter into an agreement with
 Falher Recreation Development Society for 2018.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau
 and St. Laurent
- CARRIED

- Res. 17-170** **Falher Regional Recreation Complex – Falher Pirates**
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that the Mayor and Director of Community Services be authorized to negotiate an agreement with Falher Pirates for 2017/2018 season.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-171**
 Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Director of Community Services look into the music system at the Falher Regional Recreation Complex Arena.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-172** **Falher Regional Recreation Complex – Falher Curling Club**
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that Falher Curling Club be given exclusive rights to operate the Falher Regional Recreation Complex bar throughout the lease agreement contract dates of September 1st to March 31 subject to the Curling Club entering into an agreement with other Recreation Complex users on a profit sharing basis.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-173** **Falher Regional Recreation Complex – Falher Pirates**
 Moved by Councillor Limoges that Resolution 17-170 be repealed.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-174**
 Moved by Councillor St. Laurent to table the agreements with Falher Pirates and Falher Curling Club.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-175** **Appointment of Weed Inspectors**
 Moved by Councillor Primeau that Normand Boulet, Raymond Rey, David Skinner and Phillippe Fournier be appointed as weed inspectors for 2017.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED
- Res. 17-176** **Weed Control Committee**
 Moved by Councillor Brown that Fern Doucet, Denis Pele, Andre Lussier, Darcy Tokarz & Lucien Houle be appointed to Weed Control Act Appeal Committee for 2017.
- FOR: Mayor Buchinski, Councillors Braithwaite, Brown, Limoges, Primeau and St. Laurent
- CARRIED

Compass Assessment – Extension of Agreement**Res. 17-177**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Mayor and Municipal Administrator be authorized to execute an agreement with Compass Assessment Consultants Inc. providing for the extension of the Assessment Services agreement dated November 27, 2013.

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

CARRIED

Old Smoky River Express Building Tenders**Res. 17-178**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that the Mayor and Municipal Administrator meet the Municipal District of Smoky River to discuss the Municipal District of Smoky River's request regarding the Old Smoky River Express Building.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-179

Moved by Councillor Limoges that should the Town proceed with the demolition of the building located on Lot 18, Block 7, Plan 132 3171 the demolition contract be awarded to R & R Holdings for the total sum of \$6,775.00 and that this project be completed by September 30, 2017.

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

CARRIED

Smoky River Tourism Agreement**Res. 17-180**

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that a letter be sent to Smoky River Tourism advising of the cancellation of the current lease agreement and that the Mayor and Municipal Administrator be authorized to enter into a new lease agreement with Smoky River Tourism.

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

CARRIED

Distinguished Service Award**Res. 17-181**

Moved by Councillor Primeau that Mayor Buchinski be nominated for the AUMA Distinguished Service Award.

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

CARRIED

Smoky River Regional Economic Development – Member-at-large**Res. 17-182**

Moved by Councillor Brown that the Town actively recruit, after the 2017 municipal elections, to fill Town of Falher's vacant board representative on the Smoky River Regional Economic Development board.

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

CARRIED

- Res. 17-183** **LED Retrofits**
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that the Town proceed with lighting retrofitting to LED lighting for the Falher Recreation Complex, Town Office, Public Works Shop, Fire Hall, and Library and that funding be obtained through Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (approximately 24%), and through building reserves.

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

CARRIED

- Res. 17-184** **R.C.M.P. – Community Priority 2017-2018**
 Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Town of Falher's Community Priority for 2017-2018 be set as follows:

1. Crime Reduction Initiative – Reduce Property Crime – Mischief & Theft
2. Enhanced Road Safety through Impaired Driving Enforcement and enforcement of posted speed limits in playground and school zones

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

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

- Res. 17-185** **Smoky River Emergency Services**
 Moved by Councillor Braithwaite that Councillor Primeau attend the Smoky River Emergency Services Station Grand Opening on June 23, 2017.

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

CARRIED

- Res. 17-186** **Correspondence**
 Moved by Councillor St. Laurent 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 Brown

- Library Committee – April 3, 2017

Councillor Limoges

- Smoky River Regional Waste & Water – March 27, 2017
- Recreation Committee – April 17, 2017
- Recreation Committee - April 18, 2017
- FABuLAS – April 24, 2017

Mayor Buchinski

- CAO/V. Roy meeting – March 21, 2017
- Heart River Housing – March 30, 2017
- Meeting with Vic Roy – April 4, 2017
- Economic Development – April 11, 2017

- Recreation Committee – April 17, 2017
- Ball Diamond Meeting – April 18, 2017
- Heart River Housing – April 20, 2017
- MLA Marg McCuaig-Boyd – April 21, 2017
- FABuLAS – April 24, 2017

Res. 17-187

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

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

CARRIED

Councillor St. Laurent left the meeting at 10:06 p.m. and rejoined the meeting at 10:07 p.m.

Res. 17-188

Director of Public Works Report

Moved by Councillor Limoges that the Director of Public Works' report be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-189

Extend Meeting

Moved by Councillor Limoges to extend the meeting.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-190

Director of Community Services

Moved by Councillor St. Laurent that the Director of Community Services' Report be accepted as information.

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

CARRIED

Res. 17-191

Chief Administrative Officer Report and Action List

Moved by Councillor Primeau 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

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

Mayor

Municipal Administrator