

**Village of Stirling**  
April 6, 2011

The Village of Stirling Council meeting was held at the Stirling Community Centre on April 6, 2011. In attendance were Mayor Edwards, Councillors Bikman, Selk, and Tanner, CAO Barton and Administrative Assistant Moreland. Absent Councillor Hirsche.

CALLED TO ORDER Mayor Edwards called the meeting to order at 4:59 pm.

2011-050 AGENDA Councillor Tanner moved to adopt the agenda.  
Carried

DELEGATION Gordon Zobell, Manager & John McKee, board member of the Raymond Irrigation District presented a history of the waterways and canals in the area and explained the Raymond Irrigation Districts position on spring run-off. The RID has no plans to straighten any sections of Kipp Coulee around Stirling.  
Council reviewed the St. Mary's River Irrigation Project watershed report.

DELEGATION Council discussed tax implications to Nelson Family Ranches concerning the application of annexation of 6 properties into the Village.  
Grant and Jeff Nelson spoke on behalf of Nelson Family Ranches and questioned how the tax exemptions granted by the County of Warner would be honoured by the Village of Stirling. Administration was directed to draft a Letter of Intent concerning tax exemption to include an additional clause entering into an agreement for sewer infrastructure.

2011-051 MINUTES Mayor Edwards moved to adopt the minutes of the March 23, 2011 council meeting.  
Carried

2011-052 ACCOUNTS  
PAYABLE Mayor Edwards moved to accept accounts payable #20110295 - #20110310  
Carried

TAX RATE BYLAW  
#438-2011

Council reviewed a tax worksheet indicating implications of a random group of individuals with 2011 proposed tax rates. Administration indicated that the Seniors Foundation has supplied no numbers to finalize the tax rate yet, but recommended to proceed with the second reading.

2011-053

Councillor Selk moved to adopt the second reading of the 2011 tax rate bylaw.

Carried

KIPP COULEE  
MINIMUM TAX

Council reviewed and discussed the Kipp Coulee overlay with regards to the tax implications for undevelopable property.

2011-054

Mayor Edwards moved to waive the minimum tax rate on undevelopable property within the Kipp Coulee since it does not qualify under Farm Land assessment exemption.

Carried

PAINT & E-WASTE  
RECYCLING  
PROGRAM

Administration presented the costs associated with the paint and e-waste recycling programs.

2011-055

Councillor Selk moved to move continue with the program and review again in the future.

Carried

EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT

Council reviewed the Emergency Management Committee Structure (Bylaw437-11). There will be a table top exercise on May 11, 2011 in the Stirling Pool Room. An Emergency Management Director needs to be appointed. Council directed Administration to find potential candidate for the position.

CHIEF MOUNTAIN  
SOLID WASTE  
AUTHORITY

Council directed Administration to draft a letter regarding the new agreement with Chief Mountain Solid Waste Authority. Letter to be copied to all participating municipalities.

2011-056

Council discussed the Chief Mountain Financial Statement and Budget. Mayor Edwards moved to approve the Chief Mountain Financial Statement and Budget.

Carried

ORGANIZATIONAL  
STRUCTURE

Administration presented the organizational structure options for councils' consideration.

2011-057

Mayor Edwards moved to approve the hiring of a new Director Of Stirling Services position.

Carried

COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE  
MEETINGS

Nothing to report

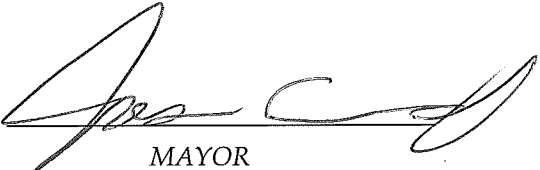
CORRESPONDENCE

Water hookup in county - Administration to send response letter explaining Alberta Environments position on not allowing any further rural connections.

2011-058 ADJOURN

Councillor Selk moved to adjourn at 6:59 pm.

Carried



MAYOR



CAO