Village of Stirling September 21, 2011

The Village of Stirling Council meeting was held at the Stirling Community Centre on September 21, 2011. In attendance were Mayor Jason Edwards, Councillors: Gary Bikman, Mike Selk, Jeff Tanner and CAO Scott Barton. Absent: Marianne Hirsche.

	CALLED TO ORDER	Mayor Jason Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:05pm.
2011-117	<u>AGENDA</u>	Councillor Jeff Tanner moved to adopt the agenda with the following additions: Peace Officer Initiative, Canadian Badlands, and a Closed Session.
		Carried.
2011-118	<u>MINUTES</u>	Councillor Mike Selk moved to adopt the minutes of the September 7th, 2011 council meeting.
		Carried.
2011-119	<u>ACCOUNTS</u> <u>PAYABLE</u>	Councillor Gary Bikman moved to adopt accounts payable #20110966 to #20111004.
		Carried.
2011-120	FIRE CHIEF APPOINTMENT	Mayor Jason Edwards moved to appoint Fred Hillyer as the Village's Fire Chief pursuant to the Fire Department Bylaw. Carried.
	CEMETERY WATERING CONCERN	Council discussed an email sent to Councillor Gary Bikman for Richard Nelson regarding the lack of an irrigation system at the cemetery and his concern regarding the health of the trees within the cemetery. The current Village budget does not have funds approved for the installation of a watering system at the cemetery. Council Bikman was discuss the matter with Richard Nelson and the need for funding.
2011-121	RIDGE RESERVIOR WATER QUALITY	Councillor Mike Selk moved for the administration to draft a letter expressing the Village's concern over the deteriorating water quality on the Ridge Reservoir and that the Village of Stirling supports the efforts of the Ridge Water Services Commission to protect this vital resource.

Carried.

	PEACE OFFICER PRIORITIES	Council discussed the Joint Peace Officer Initiative and Council's priorities for the activities of the Peace Officer in the Village. The following three priorities were identified: vandalism, bylaw enforcement, and educational programs within the school.
2011-122	CANADIAN BADLANDS LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM	Councillor Jeff Tanner moved to send an individual for Council or Administration to the Canadian Badlands Leadership Symposium in Medicine Hat, October 17 and 18, 2011. Carried.
	ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION	Mayor Jason Edwards reported on the Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority Meeting. The Authority have agreed to conduct a Best Practices and Governance Study.
		Mayor Edwards also reviewed the agenda matters at the Inter-Municipal Mayor's meeting in Magrath on September $14^{\rm th}$.
		Councillor Selk discussed the need to conduct a survey and develop a business case of the high-speed internet proposal.
	COUNCILLOR SELK	Councillor Mike Selk excused himself from the Council Meeting at 6:10pm.
2011-123	<u>CLOSED SESSION</u>	Mayor Jason Edwards moved to go into closed session to discuss the Assistant CAO recruitment at 6:10pm. Carried.
2011-124		Councillor Gary Bikman moved to return to open session at 6:35pm. Carried.
2011-125	<u>ADJOURN</u>	Councillor Jeff Tanner moved to adjourn at 6:36pm. Carried. Mayor ason Edwards