



Village of Stirling

December 12, 2018

The Village of Stirling Council meeting held at the Stirling Community Centre on December 12, 2018.
In attendance: Mayor Trevor Lewington, Councillors Robert Edwards, Matthew Foss, Kevin Nelson
and Larry Nilsson, Interim CAO Scott Barton and Administrative Assistant Aletta Lightfoot.

CALLED TO ORDER Mayor Lewington called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2018-270 AGENDA Councillor Nilsson moved to adopt the agenda as amended.

Carried

RECOGNITION Council recognizes the Senior Varsity Girls' Basketball Team for their fifth consecutive Gold Medal win at the Picture Butte's "Rule the Court" game.

Council recognizes the Senior Varsity Boys' Basketball Team for their Gold Medal win at the Red Deer Tournament.

Council recognizes George Hasegawa for his innovative work in numerous water projects in Lethbridge and in the surrounding areas, including integral work with Magrath and Raymond by implementing a gravity flow water supply system. Mr. Hasegawa passed away on November 27, 2018.

DELEGATION(S) Marsha Edwards spoke to Council about recommendations for the proposed Cat Bylaw, asking for clarification on various concerns:

- A clearer definition for the term "running at large".
- Hunting of wild animals such as birds and small rodents.
- Obstruction of the Animal Control Officer.
- A report on the health of the animal(s) that is apprehended by the Animal Control Officer.
- 72-hour hold on any animal is not long enough to find the owner, before the animal is euthanized.

Marsha spoke of alternatives to euthanasia:

- Posting a picture and information about the animal when it is caught to social media platforms such as Facebook.
- There are several rescues in Lethbridge and surrounding areas that will assist with the capture, treatment and relocation of strays.

- Taber has multiple adoption and shelter programs.
- Ranch Docs offers spaying and neutering incentives.
- Shirley Fleming works with A Better Chance Animal Rescue and is a part of many organizations including NOKA (No Kill Animals Society) and may be able to assist Stirling in finding a better solution for stray cats.
- There are grants and funding available to start a program where euthanasia would not have to be an option, as well as TNR (Trap Neuter Release) program that could be implemented.

Marsha requested Council to go through the current bylaw and compare it to other bylaws in surround towns to find ways to improve it.

Robert Grbavac spoke to Council about the Rural Water installation and his request to tie into the existing line for a new house on his property. He briefly touched on the fact that the original line was installed in the late 1980's and he would be able to tie on to that line 30 meters from across the road from the requested site.

2018-271	<u>MINUTES</u>	Councillor Edwards moved to adopt the minutes of the November 21, 2018 Council Meeting as amended.	Carried
	<u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</u>	None.	
2018-272	<u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u>	Councillor Nilsson moved to accept accounts payable cheques #20181028-20181058, #20181069-20181085.	Carried
	<u>BUDGET REPORT</u>	Interim CAO Scott Barton presented current information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grants receivable to-date – still waiting on a significant amount for MSI (Municipal Sustainability Initiative). - Overall – good. 	
	<u>RESPONSIBLE CAT OWNERSHIP BYLAW NO. 476-18</u>	Tabled to Committee of the Whole Meeting on Wednesday, January 23, 2019.	
2018-273	<u>RURAL WATER REQUEST</u>	Mayor Lewington moved to approve the water connection for Robert Grbavac at SW 13 – 6 - 20 W4 subject to Grbavac entering into a Development Agreement with the Village which shall	

include Grbavac paying all costs associated with the connection to Village infrastructure and all other standard requirements, Grbavac paying the rural water connection fee and Grbavac paying for the required potable water license transfer; and further directs Administration to create a rural water connection policy and checklist.

Carried

HYGGEN
LANEWAY
TEMPORARY/NON-
PERMANENT
CLOSURE REQUEST

Council discussed several options:

- Ability to upgrade it to a road, to put up signs at both access points, or improve by leveling and gravelling to deter joy riders.
- Reiterate that jurisdiction remains under Alberta Transportation.

2018-274

Councillor Edwards moved to pursue option three as recommended by ORRSC (Oldman River Regional Services Commission) to improve the laneway with a local improvements tax to fund, further to Administration to develop a cost, and further to local traffic only signs being placed at both access points.

Carried

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Council discussed the three requests made by representatives Dr. Darin Orr and Jim Seely:

- No property taxes for five year: other businesses do not have those concessions, the tax rate is already lower than in other communities, and the building already exists.
- Snow removal is as available by Public Works.
- The pavement extension can be added on to another paving project.

2018-275

Councillor Nilsson moved to direct Administration to draft a letter that outlines the response in accordance with current snow removal practice, and further authorizes street frontage parking up to 1,200 square feet to be added onto a planned paving project.

Carried

BYLAW 477-18 –
CONSUMPTION OF
CANNABIS IN
PUBLIC

Administration to resolve motions 2018-227 and 2018-228 and bring back to the Council Meeting Wednesday, January 9, 2018

2018-276

AMSC UTILITIES

Councillor Edwards moved to approve the renewal of both

	<u>CONTRACT RENEWAL</u>	AMSC Utilities contracts in principle as proposed.	Carried
2018-277	<u>ALBERTA ONE-CALL – USER AGREEMENT</u>	Councillor Foss moved to authorize Administration to renew the Alberta One-Call User Agreement contract.	Carried
	<u>RRPSS 2019 INTERIM BUDGET</u>	Councillor Foss provided background information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Magrath is still responsible for their share of the requisition even though they are not currently a part of the Commission. - The remaining communities will be required to cover the cost difference, though the final amount may still be adjusted. - The Peace Officers will continue to carry out their current scheduling. 	
2018-278		Councillor Foss moved to approve the amended requisition in principle.	Carried
2018-279	<u>JANUARY 2019 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE</u>	Mayor Lewington moved to re-schedule and advertise as required the January Council Meetings to Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., and Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.	Carried
2018-280	<u>LETTER OF SUPPORT – STIRLING WIND PROJECT</u>	Councillor Edwards moves to authorize the Mayor to draft and provide a letter of support.	Carried
	<u>LETTER OF SUPPORT – ST MARY’S WATER IRRIGATION DISTRICT</u>	St. Mary’s Irrigation District currently has a Southern Tributaries Water Agreement with Stirling, that in the event of a water shortage, there is a benefit to Stirling if cutbacks are required.	
2018-281		Councillor Nilsson moved to direct Administration to draft a letter of support communicating the Village’s agreement.	Carried

2018-282	<u>CHIEF MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SOLID WASTE COMMISSION</u>	Councillor Edwards moved that the Village of Stirling agrees to become a member of the CMRSWC.	Carried
2018-283	<u>RESOLUTIONS</u>	Councillor Edwards moved to approve the Business Plan, as outlined in INTEGRATED REGIONAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY BEST PRACTICES MODEL & MANAGEMENT PLAN, for CMRSWA.	Carried
2018-284		Councillor Edwards moved to acknowledge the rates and fees to be charged to members as identified in Appendix A of Bylaw 002 Fees and Governance.	Carried
2018-285		Councillor Foss moved that Council recommend that Robert Edwards be appointed to the Board of Directors of the CMRSWC for its first term.	Carried
2018-286		Councillor Edwards moved that Council is in agreement with Randy Taylor of the County of Warner be designated as Chair of Board of Directors of the CMRSWC for the first one-year term of the Board.	Carried
2018-287		Councillor Edwards moved that the ownership and responsibility of the Village of Stirling Transfer Station, including all associated assets and liabilities, be transferred to the CMRSWC when it is established.	Carried
2018-288	<u>CAO REPORT – NOVEMBER 2018</u>	Councillor Nelson moved to accept the CAO Report for November 7, 2018.	Carried
	<u>COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS</u>	Councillor Foss reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FCSS Meeting time has been updated to 4:00 p.m.; All Council Meeting in April 2019; strategic planning. - ORRSC approved a 1.8% membership increase, and a 1.5% GIS fee increase 	

Councillor Edwards reported:

- CMRSWC application resolution updates.

Mayor Lewington reported:

- Lethbridge Airport is moving towards a commission structure.

Councillor Nelson: nothing to report.

Councillor Nilsson reported:

- MTC (Mormon Trail Committee): Chautauqua 2019 to be hosted by Stirling; hoping to smooth out the transfer of governance and financing issues.

2018-289	<u>CORRESPONDENCE AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION</u>	Councillor Edwards moved to accept the correspondence as information, as presented.	Carried
2018-290	<u>ADJOURN</u>	Councillor Nelson moved to adjourn at 8:58 p.m.	Carried



Mayor



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