



## Village of Stirling

### Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2023 - Regular Meeting of Council - 07:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Stirling was held in the Council Chambers, located at the Stirling Community Centre/Lions Hall at 409 - 2 Street, on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Trevor Lewington, Deputy Mayor Larry Nilsson, Councillors Gary Bikman, Devynn Bohn, and Matthew Foss

CAO, Scott Donselaar  
Municipal Clerk, Aletta Lightfoot

1. **Regular Council Meeting – Call Meeting to Order**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

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2. **Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. **Recognition**

3.1 **Firefighter Deployment Recognition**

Council extends appreciation to 8 members of the Stirling Fire Department who took time away from their families and normal work obligations to support Alberta Wildfire in the Yellowhead County region with this season's unprecedented forest fires. Council acknowledges the hard work of the following members who provided support in 3 different rotations under challenging conditions:

- Interim Chief Marv Birky
- Captain Sean Fawcett
- Captain Leon Steciw
- Captain Brant Tidmarsh
- Firefighter Cody Mrak
- Firefighter Blair Pyke
- Firefighter Daniel Rose
- Firefighter Andre Thibaudeau

Council would like to recognize Brennan and Aletta Lightfoot for their work with the Community Garage Sale.

4. **Delegations:**

4.1 **Interim Fire Chief Birky - Deployment Report**

4.2 **Chief Mountain Regionals Solid Waste Services Commission - Marian Carlson**

*Councillor Bikman left meeting at 7:44 p.m.  
Councillor Bikman returned to the meeting at 7:46 p.m.*

**5. Minutes**

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**5.1 Adoption of Minutes – May 17, 2023**

**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 17, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

**5.2 Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

**5.3 Motion Tracker**

Council reviewed.

**6. Financial Items**

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**6.1 Accounts Payable - #20230472 - #20230519**

**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

That accounts payable cheque No. 20230472 to cheque No. 20230519 be approved.

Carried

2023-170

**6.2 Budget Report**

**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the Budget Report dated June 6, 2023 be accepted as information.

Carried

**7. Items for Discussion**

2023-171

**7.1 Fire Deployment Revenue**

**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

To approve the firefighter compensation be the whole amount listed in the Alberta Wildfire Deployment Guide, and further direct Administration to return with a policy on the financial management of future fire department deployments.

Carried

2023-172

**7.2 Operations Fleet Management Proposal**

**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Nilsson

To approve the fleet replacement plan as presented and authorize the use of the Garbage Truck reserve to accomplish the fleet management program.

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Councillor Bikman	✓			
Councillor Bohn	✓			

Councillor Foss ✓  
Mayor Lewington ✓  
Deputy Mayor Nilsson ✓

Carried

2023-173      **7.2.1 Policies AR03-20 and AR07-23**

**Moved By:** Councillor Bikman

To direct Administration to amend Policy AR03-20 Investment and Surplus Management Policy; as well as Policy AR07-23 Budget and Financial Controls Policy to reflect the changes from a garbage truck reserve to a fleet management reserve.

Carried

2023-174      **7.3 Stonecraft Homes Memorandum of Agreement**

**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

To approve the agreement as amended and direct Administration to enter into the agreement with Stonecraft Homes if they are wishing to pursue the partnership.

Carried

2023-175      **7.4 Summer Council Meeting Schedule - July 2023**

**Moved By:** Councillor Bohn

To keep the Regular Meeting of Council, and Municipal Planning Commission (if necessary), date as July 5, 2023 and hereby cancel the Regular Council meeting for July 19th.

Carried

2023-176      **7.4.1 Council Summer Meeting Schedule - August 2023**

**Moved By:** Councillor Bikman

To keep the Regular Meeting of Council, and Municipal Planning Commission (if necessary), date as August 2, 2023 and hereby cancel the Regular Council meeting for August 16th.

Carried

2023-177      **7.5 DV06-23: Underground Service and Road Crossing Policy**

**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

To approve policy DV06-23: Underground Service and Road Crossing Policy as amended.

Carried

2023-178      **7.6 Bylaw 537-23 Amendment to Bylaw 531-22**

**Moved By:** Deputy Mayor Nilsson

To provide First Reading to Bylaw 537-23 Amendment to Bylaw 531-22 Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw.

Carried

2023-179      **7.7 Columbarium Discussion**

**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

To accept as information and bring back to a future council meeting, and further direct Administration to engage with cemetery society and share the information.

Carried

2023-180                    7.8    **Rural Water System Report**

**Moved By:** Mayor Lewington

To accept the report as information and direct no applications be brought forward once the three remaining connections for either 0.5 gpm or 1.0 gpm are fulfilled.

Carried

2023-181                    8.     **CAO Report**

**Moved By:** Councillor Bikman

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

9.     **Council Committee Meeting Reports**

Mayor Lewington:

- Attended a meeting on May 23rd with an investor who has expressed interest in housing projects in Stirling.
- Attended the Stirling High School graduation on May 26th - Congratulations to the largest grad class in Stirling history.
- Participated in a webinar on June 1st with Utilitynet to better understand rate options and margin opportunities for Ridge Utilities.

Deputy Mayor Nilsson:

- Community Garage Sale
  - a good turn out despite the weather
- Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
- Ridge Water Commission (RWC)
  - New contract for Writing-On-Stone

Councillor Bikman:

- Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission (CMRSWSC)
- Community Futures
- Community Events Committee Meeting

Councillor Bohn:

- Community Events Committee Meeting
  - Stirling Settler Days

Councillor Foss:

- Ridge Water Commission (RWC)
- Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC)

2023-182                    10.    **Correspondence and Items for Information**

**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

- 10.1 ORRSC
- 10.2 FCSS
- 10.3 Town of Coaldale - Summer Fest
- 10.4 Fortis Alberta
- 10.5 RRPSSC
- 10.6 CMRSWSC

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11. Council Highlights

Moved By: Councillor Bohn

To highlight the following from this Council Meeting for immediate public release:

- Pool Opening and Grand Opening of What's Pop'n on Friday, June 23
- Thank you Stirling Firefighters for helping with the Alberta wildfires
- Congratulations to the Stirling 2023 Graduating Class

Carried

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12. Adjournment

Moved By: Councillor Bohn

That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Carried

These minutes to be approved on the 21st day of June 2023.

  
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Mayor - Trevor Lewington

  
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CAO - Scott Donselaar