



STIRLING

Village of Stirling

Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2024 - 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, February 7, 2024, 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 7:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the agenda be adopted as amended to include a third delegation:

- Delegation 4.3: Sgt. Brad Noss RCMP

Carried

3. Recognition

Administration would like to recognize the parent volunteers who organized and hosted a Smash Brothers event for the youth of Stirling. Administration would also like to thank the Stirling School for hosting the event again this year.

Council recognizes the Stirling Wrestling team who dominated at the Golden Bear Invitational in Edmonton coming out on top of more than 80 teams. Congratulations to athletes and coaches who have built a highly regarded program. Stirling is hosting the ASAA Wrestling Rural Provincials on February 23 & 24.

Council congratulates the Stirling Boys on their 20th Rebel Classic win!

4. Delegations

4.1 Councillor Devynn Bohn

Councillor Bohn presented CAO Donselaar with her resignation from Village Council.

Councillor Foss arrived at the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Councillor Bohn left the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

4.2 Honourable Grant Hunter, UCP MLA Taber-Warner

The Honourable Grant Hunter was unable to attend the meeting.

2024-024

	4.3	Sgt. Brad Noss Raymond RCMP	
			Sgt. Brad Noss presented Third Quarter updates from the RCMP Raymond-Magrath detachment.
	5.	Minutes	
2024-025	5.1	Adoption of Minutes – January 17, 2024	
		Moved By: Councillor Foss	
			That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on January 17, 2024 be approved as amended.
			Carried
	5.2	Business Arising from the Minutes	
			Update on cheque fraud?
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administration is awaiting response back from Toronto
	5.3	Motion Tracker	
			Council reviewed.
	6.	Financial Items	
2024-026	6.1	Accounts Payable - #20240049 - #20240106	
		Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson	
			That accounts payable cheque No. 20240049 to cheque No. 2024106 be approved.
			Carried
2024-027	6.2	Budget Report	
		Moved By: Councillor Foss	
			That the Budget Report dated February 2, 2024 be accepted as information.
			Carried
	7.	Items for Discussion	
	7.1	Organizational Matters	
2024-028	7.1.1	Organizational Matters - Appointment of the Returning Officer	Councillor Foss
			To appoint Chief Administrative Office Scott Donselaar as the Returning Office.
			Carried
2024-029	7.1.2	Organizational Matters - Date for by-election	
		Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson	
			To set the date for a by-election for May 7, 2024, and to further direct the Returning Officer to advertise and follow the sections of the Local Authorities Election Act required for operation of a by-election.
			Carried
2024-030	7.1.3	Organizational Matters - Campaign Period	

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To set the campaign period date to commence on April 9, 2024 and to end 60 days after the by-election date.

Carried

2024-031

7.1.4 Organizational Matters - Legislative Boards/Committees, Council Standing Committees/Internal Committees, and External Boards/Committees

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

To appoint:

- Larry Nilsson to the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) in the Legislative Board/Committee
- Trevor Lewington to the Community and Events Committee in the Council Standing Committees/Internal Committees
- Trevor Lewington to the Tourism and Economic Development Committee in the Council Standing Committees/Internal Committees
- Matthew Foss as Council Alternate for Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) in the External Boards/Committees
- Larry Nilsson as Council Alternate for Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC) in the External Boards/Committees
- Trevor Lewington as Council Alternate for Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC) in the External Boards/Committees

2024-032

7.2 Baseball in Stirling

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To accept the Baseball in Stirling report as information, and further direct Administration to contact the Town of Raymond with respect to adult softball.

Carried

2024-033

7.3 Schedule of Public Hearing for Bylaw 543-23 Road Closure Bylaw

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To direct a Public Hearing scheduled at the March 6, 2024 regular Council meeting and direct the advertising of such as presented.

Carried

2024-034

7.4 Schedule Public Hearing for Land Sale of 225 4 Avenue

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To direct a Public Hearing scheduled at the April 3, 2024 regular Council meeting, as per the requirements of the Municipal Government Act, to address any petitions pertaining to the sale of 225 - 4 Avenue in Stirling, Alberta.

Carried

2024-035

7.5 Amend Policy AR13-23 Community Centre Use Policy

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To approve the amendment to Policy AR13-23 Community Centre Use Policy as presented, and direct Administration to discuss with the Lions Club.

Carried

2024-036

7.5.1 Amend Policy AR13-23 Community Centre Use Policy - Non-Profit Organizations

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To amend Policy AR13-23 to add the Stirling Silver Saddle Club, the Stirling Volunteer Fire Department, Family and Community Support Services, Southern Community Food Security, or any non-profit organization as designated by Administration to fit the criteria as group fundraisers for the community-based events.

Carried

2024-037

7.6 Bank Account Fees Report

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To accept as information.

Carried

2024-038

7.7 Amendment to a Rural Water Agreement

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To permit Administration to enter into the proposed amendment as presented between the Village of Stirling and rural water user Kerrie Pepita Cornyn.

Carried

2024-039

7.8 Library Board Resignation

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To accept the resignation of Aimee Donselaar from the Village of Stirling Library Board, and direct Administration to re-examine the Village of Stirling Library Board Bylaw, gather more information, and bring back to Council.

Carried

2024-040

8. CAO Report

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

Councillor Bikman left the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Councillor Bikman returned to the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

9. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Lewington:

- Attended the Western Canada Economic Forum in Calgary on January 24th.
- Attended monthly Mayors and Reeves of SW Alberta meeting on February 2nd.

Deputy Mayor Nilsson

- Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
 - Very happy with the \$200,000 grant from the Village of Stirling
 - Cheers to Volunteers 2024
 - Tax Return Assistance Program - booking appointments for seniors (free service)

Councillor Bikman:

- Community Events Committee

- invitation updates
- beautification
- Stirling Volunteer Fire Department not doing Easter
- Honoured Guest Party
- Library Board
- Tourism and Economic Development Committee
 - facing challenges
 - call for new nominees

Councillor Foss:

- Nothing to report

2024-041

10. Correspondence and Items for Information

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

10.1 RRPSS January 2024 Stats

10.2 Southgrow

10.3 FCSS

10.4 Ridge Country Housing Authority

10.5 Government of Alberta

10.6 Mayors & Reeves

2024-042

11. Council Highlights

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

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

- Thank for your service Devynn Bohn
- RCMP statistics update: crime is down 2022-2023
- Keep your eyes and ears open – there will be a byelection in the near future

Carried

2024-043

12. Adjournment

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

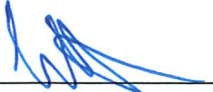
That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Carried

These minutes to be approved on the 21st day of February 2024.



 Mayor - Trevor Lewington



 CAO - Scott Donselaar