

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 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, October 16, 2024, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Trevor Lewington, Deputy Mayor Larry Nilsson, Councillors Gary Bikman, Justin Davis, and Matthew Foss

Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC) Senior Planner, Bonnie Brunner CAO, Scott Donselaar

1. Regular Council Meeting - Call Meeting to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2024-280

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Public Hearing - Proposed Bylaw 549-24: Land Use Bylaw

Mayor Lewington called the Public Hearing to order at 7:01 p.m.

Mayor Lewington confirmed that one (1) written submission was made from Brennan Lightfoot, and that five (5) persons were registered to speak: Sandra Nelson, Darryl Slingerland, Chad Robertson, Drew Walters, and Brad Hyggen.

Note: Drew Walters resides in the County of Warner but was permitted to speak by Council.

Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC) Senior Planner Bonnie Brunner provided a brief overview of Bylaw 549-24: Land Use Bylaw.

Mayor Lewington asked the members of the gallery if they had any questions, comments and/or wished to speak. There were an additional five (5) people who wished to speak: Larry Bates, Andre St. Pierre, Dallin Ellingson, Mike Selk, and Trevor Archibald.

Mayor Lewington asked Administration if they had any questions, comments and/or wished to speak.

Mayor Lewington asked the Council members if they had any questions, comments and/or if they wished to speak.

Mayor Lewington called a second time if anyone present wished to speak.

Mayor Lewington called a final time if anyone present wished to speak.

Mayor Lewington Closed the Public Hearing at 8:29 p.m.

Council broke for recess at 8:29 p.m. Council resumed the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

4. Recognition

Council extends congratulations to Sandra Nelson for receiving a King Charles III Coronation Medal in a ceremony on September 21st in recognition of her public service and community contributions.

Council wishes to thank all volunteers who supported the Cemetery Cleanup event on September 21st.

Councillor Foss commended CAO Donselaar for his presentation at the AB Munis Conference in September.

5. Delegations

None.

6. Minutes

2024-281

6.1 Adoption of Minutes - September 18, 2024

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on September 18, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

6.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

6.3 Motion Tracker

Council reviewed.

7. Financial Items

2024-282

7.1 Accounts Payable - #20240968 - #20240977, #61 - #83, and #98 - #116

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That accounts payable cheque No. 202400968 to cheque No. 202400977, cheque No. 61 to cheque No. 83, and cheque No. 98 to cheque No. 116, excepting cheque No. 20240970 and cheque No. 69, be approved.

Carried

2024-283

7.1.1 Accounts Payable - #20240970

That accounts payable cheque No. 20240970 be approved.

Deputy Mayor Nilsson abstained

Carried

2024-284

7.1.2 Accounts Payable - Cheque No. #69 Councillor Foss

That accounts payable cheque No. 69 be approved.

Councillor Davis abstained

Carried

2024-285

7.2 Budget Report

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the Budget Report dated October 11, 2024 be accepted as information.

Carried

8. Items for Discussion

2024-286

8.1 Bylaw 549-24: Land Use Bylaw

Moved By: Mayor Lewington

To direct Administration to move licensed restaurant to a prohibited license.

2024-287

8.2 Triple P - Daycare Opportunity

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

To direct Administration to sign and return the non-binding letter of intent to Global Builds Inc.

Carried

2024-288

8.3 Lift Station and Forcemain Project Update

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To accept the Lift Station and Forcemain Project Update report as information.

Carried

2024-289

9. CAO Report

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

10. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Lewington:

- I attended the Coronation Medal Ceremony hosted by MP Glen Motz in Raymond on Saturday, September 21st.
- I participated in a review of the DestinationNext project with Tourism Lethbridge on October 9 to better understand the potential implications for tourism strategy in the broader region.

Deputy Mayor Nilsson:

- Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
 - Email from Taylor Manz to help with FCSS needs assessment study.

Councillor Bikman:

- Community Futures
 - o Function at a high level.
- Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission (CMRSWSC)
 - Had a good meeting with SEO, and things being done to implement the board's goals and the commission's needs of their customers.
- Stirling Library board Meeting to set budget for upcoming 2025 year

Councillor Davis:

- ABmunis Conference
 - Very informative. Found value in the education components. Sessions were interesting.

Councillor Foss:

- ABmunis Conference
 - Attended and presented at a standing-room session. Premier suggested there are a number of things on the go related to taxes, etc.
 - Chatted with Ridge Country Housing (RCH) Chair and the CAO of RCH hadn't had it high on their priority.

2024-290

11. Correspondence and Items for Information

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

- 11.1 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)
- 11.2 Alberta Municipal Affairs
- 11.3 Mayors & Reeves
- 11.4 City of Lethbridge
- 11.5 Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC)
- 11.6 Westwind Weekly
- 12. Closed Session: Section 16 and 25 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

2024-291

12.1 Motion to Enter into Closed Session

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To enter into Closed Session at 9:29 p.m. as per Sections 16 and 25 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Carried

2024-292

12.2 Motion to Come out of Closed Session

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To come out of Closed Session at 9:42 p.m.

Carried

2024-293

13. Council Highlights

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

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

- Robust public discussion and attendance for the land use bylaw public hearing
- Fire Hall project completed thank you Director of Operations Still for excellent coordination of the project
- Happy Thanks Giving and Happy Halloween

14. Adjournment

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Carried

These minutes to be approved on the 6th day of November 2024.

Mayor - Trevor Lewington

CAO - Scott Donselaar