

Village of Stirling

Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2025 - 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, April 16, 2025, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Trevor Lewington, Councillors Gary Bikman, Justin Davis, 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.

2025-092

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Recognition

There were no recognitions.

- 4. Delegations
- 4.1 Mercer Wilde & CFO Clark Holt 2024 Audited Financials
- 5. Minutes

2025-094

5.1 Adoption of Minutes – March 19, 2025

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 19, 2025 be approved as amended.

Carried

5.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no new business arising from the minutes.

5.3 Motion Tracker

Council reviewed and discussed the Motion Tracker.

6. Financial Items

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6.1 Accounts Payable

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That accounts payable cheque No. 20250027 to cheque No. 20250044 and EFT #498 to EFT #593, excepting EFT #558, be approved.

Carried

2025-096

6.1.1 Accounts Payable: EFT #558

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That accounts payable EFT #558 be approved.

Councillor Davis abstained.

Carried

7. Items for Discussion

2025-093

7.1 2024 Audited Financial Statement

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To approve the 2024 Village of Stirling Audited Financial Statements as amended, presented by Hayden Wilde of MWG Chartered Professional Accountant and Clark Holt, Chief Financial Officer of the Town of Raymond.

Carried

7.2 Bylaw 555-25: 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw

2025-097

7.2.1 Bylaw 555-25: 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw - Second Reading

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To provide Second Reading to Bylaw 555-25: 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw, as amended.

Carried

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7.2.2 Bylaw 555-25: 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw - Third and Final Reading

Moved By: Councillor Davis

To provide Third and Final Reading to Bylaw 555-25: 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw, as presented.

Carried

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7.3 C03-25: Council Remuneration

Moved By: Mayor Lewington

To approve policy C03-25 Council Remuneration Policy, as amended.

Carried

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7.4 Community Events Committee - March 17, 2025 Minutes

Moved By: Mayor Lewington

To approve the Community Events Committee Minutes from March 17, 2025.

Carried

2025-101 7.5	225 4 Avenue
	Moved By: Councillor Davis
	To direct Administration to contact a house-moving company for quotes and follow up with the real estate service provider for amendments to the contract as necessary.
	Carrie
2025-102 7.6	Honored Guest Party Donation
	Moved By: Councillor Bikman
	To donate \$500.00 to the ward hosting the Honoured Guest Party and to direct Administration to issue a cheque to the responsible ward.
	Carrie
2025-103 7.7	Silver Saddle Club Donation
	Moved By: Councillor Foss
	To approve a donation of \$500.00 to the Stirling Silver Saddle Club.
	Carrie
2025-104 7.8	Bridge File Inspection Completion
	Moved By: Councillor Foss
	To accept the Bridge File Inspection report as information.
	Carrie
2025-105 7.9	Licenses and Contracts Report
	Moved By: Councillor Bikman
	To accept the Licenses and Contracts report as information.
	Carrie
2025-106 7.10	County of Warner Development Notification
	Moved By: Councillor Davis

To accept the County of Warner Development Notification as information.

Carried

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2025-107 7.11 Alberta Municipalities Resolution on Seniors Housing

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To approve Administration to undertake the crafting of a resolution and have it brought back for Council approval to be submitted to Alberta Municipalities November Conference.

Carried

2025-108 8. **CAO Report**

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

9. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Lewington:

- Attended the Regional Emergency Management Advisory Committee on Monday, March 24 at the County of Warner offices. This was the annual meeting of the REAC to provide oversight to the regional emergency management program.
- Attended the Southern Alberta Economic Summit hosted by SouthGrow on March 27 in Lethbridge. I was a participant in a panel discussion on trade and tariffs.
- Attended the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) All Councils meeting in Coaldale on April 2nd to hear the annual report and recognize 55 years of FCSS programming in the region.
- Attended the Monthly Mayors and Reeves of SouthWest Alberta meeting on April 4th.

Councillor Bikman:

- Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission (CMRSWSC)
 - Curbside recycling

Councillor Davis:

- Chinook Arch Regional Library System (CARLS)
 - o Wrentham Library
 - Chinook is their board and re-did policies
 - The number of new items going into libraries have decreased but cost of those items have increased

Councillor Foss:

· Nothing to report

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10. Correspondence and Items for Information

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

- 10.1 Global Builds
- 10.2 Office of the Minister
- 10.3 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)
- 10.4 Alberta: Public Safety & Emergency Services
- 10.5 Government of Alberta
- 10.6 Mayors & Reeves
- 10.7 Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission (CMRSWSC)

11. Council Highlights

Moved By: Councillor Davis

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

- Clean 2024 Financial Audit (compliments to the Administration staff)
- Federal election Mon. Apr. 28 Go Vote!
- 2025 Tax Rate Bylaw passed

Carried

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12. Adjournment

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Carried

These minutes to be approved on the 7th day of May 2025

Mayor - Trevor Lewington

CAO - Scott Donselaar