



STIRLING
Village of Stirling
Meeting Minutes

February 19, 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, February 19, 2025, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

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.

2025-038

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the agenda be adopted as amended to remove the following item and re-schedule the agenda as follows:

- Delete Discussion Item 8.4: Second Offer for 225 4 Avenue
- Re-schedule Closed Session to item #11

Carried

3. Recognition

There were no recognitions.

4. Delegations

There were no delegations.

5. Minutes

2025-039

5.1 Adoption of Minutes – Committee of the Whole: February 5, 2025

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole held on February 5, 2025 be approved as presented.

Carried

2025-040

5.2 Adoption of Minutes – Council Minutes: February 5, 2025

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 5, 2025 be approved as presented.

Carried

5.3 Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no new business arising from the minutes.

5.4 Motion Tracker

Council reviewed and discussed.

6. Financial Items

2025-041

6.1 Accounts Payable: February 18, 2025 Cheque Listing

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That accounts payable cheque No. 20250017 to cheque No. 20250020, and EFT #415 to EFT #434, be approved.

Carried

7. Items for Discussion

2025-042

7.1 Drought and Flood Protection Program Information

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

Councillor Davis arrived at 7:07 p.m.

To accept the Drought and Flood Protection Program report as information.

Carried

2025-043

7.2 Joint Council Orientation Post Election

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To accept the Joint Council Orientation report as information.

Carried

2025-044

7.3 Bylaw 554-25 ATB Borrowing Bylaw

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

To provide First Reading to Bylaw 554-25 ATB Borrowing Bylaw.

Carried

2025-045

7.4 Proactive Budget Measures

Moved By: Mayor Lewington

That Council direct Administration to proactively prepare service level reduction scenarios and recommendations to accommodate a potential five percent decline in revenues in 2026 for the next Council's consideration after the October election. And further moved that Administration include a budget planning session in the Council orientation/onboarding that outlines risks of lower Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) transfers from the Government of Alberta due to expected lower provincial revenues and potential decreases in property tax assessment due to anticipated economic pressures.

Carried

2025-046

7.5 April 2 Regular Council Meeting and Municipal Planning Commission Meeting Date

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

To cancel the regularly schedule Council meeting for April 2, 2025, recognizing Council will be attending the FCSS All Councils meeting. Further the scheduled Municipal Planning Commission meeting of April 2, 2025, shall be moved to April 16, 2025, should it be required.

Carried

2025-047

7.6 2025 Election Advanced Polls

Moved By: Mayor Lewington

That Council direct Administration, in the capacity of Returning Officer, to schedule an advance poll for the Municipal Election to be held on October 2, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 237 - 4 Avenue.

Carried

2025-048

8. CAO Report

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

9. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Lewington:

- Hosted an informal question & answer session on February 8th for prospective candidates for the municipal election. Councillor Bikman joined me. There were two residents who attended for ask questions and learn more about Council's role.

Deputy Mayor Nilsson:

- Nothing to report

Councillor Bikman:

- Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission (CMRSWSC)
 - Expect costs and required procedures to increase due to emphasis on:
 - Reducing tonnage to landfill
 - Organic waste handling
 - Recyclables
 - Metals, etc.

Councillor Davis:

- Nothing to report

2025-049

10. Correspondence and Items for Information

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

10.1 MNP

- 10.2 Global Builds
- 10.3 Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC)
- 10.4 Mayors & Reeves
- 10.5 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)
- 10.6 Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission (CMRSWSC)
- 10.7 Communities in Bloom

11. Closed Session: Section 16 and 25 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

2025-050

11.1 Motion to Enter into Closed Session

Moved By: Councillor Davis

To enter into Closed Session at 7:32 p.m. as per Sections 16 and 25 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Carried

2025-051

11.2 Motion to Come Out of Closed Session

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

Motion to Come out of Closed Session at 8:13 p.m.

Carried

2025-052

11.3 Motion from Closed Session

Moved By: Councillor Davis

To direct Administration to make a conditional offer on Block A, Plan 8411065 for the amount authorized subject to any required due diligence and the passing of a debenture bylaw, and further Council directs Administration to develop an updated application and business case for the Drought and Flood Program.

Carried

2025-053

12. Council Highlights

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

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

- April 2, 2025 Council Meeting - Cancelled
- Advanced poll for 2025 Municipal Election will be held October 2, 2025
- Look for upcoming Voter Registry information

Carried

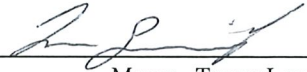
2025-054

13. Adjournment

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Carried



Mayor - Trevor Lewington



CAO - Scott Donselaar