



STIRLING
Village of Stirling
Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2026 - 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, January 7, 2026, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Scott Barton, Deputy Mayor Stacey Maynes, Councillors Justin Davis, Matthew Foss, and Nikole Norris

CAO, Scott Donselaar
Municipal Clerk, Aletta Lightfoot

1. Regular Council Meeting – Call Meeting to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 6:59 p.m.

2026-001

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

3. Recognition

Council would like to express their condolences to Valerie Duncan and family on the passing of Maurice Duncan. Maurice was a long-time resident and served the community in a number of roles over the years, which included most recently, a long stint as the president of the Cemetery Society.

4. Delegations

There were no delegations.

5. Minutes

2026-002

5.1 Adoption of Council Minutes – December 17, 2025

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on December 17, 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 the motion tracker.

6. Financial Items

2026-003

6.1 Accounts Payable

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That accounts payable:

- Cheque #20260001 to Cheque #20260004
- EFT #1532 to EFT #1540,
- EFT #6000 to EFT #6020

excepting EFT #1534, EFT #6001, EFT #6002, AND EFT #6007, be approved.

Carried

2026-004

6.1.1 Accounts Payable - EFT #1534

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That accounts payable EFT #1534 be approved

Councillor Foss abstained

Carried

2026-005

6.1.2 Accounts Payable - EFT #6001

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That accounts payable EFT #6001 be approved.

Councillor Norris abstained

Carried

2026-006

6.1.3 Accounts Payable - EFT #6002

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That accounts payable EFT #6002 be approved.

Mayor Barton abstained

Carried

2026-007

6.1.4 Accounts Payable - EFT #6007

Moved By: Mayor Barton

That accounts payable EFT #6007 be approved.

Councillor Davis abstained

Carried

2026-008

6.2 Budget Report

Moved By: Councillor Norris

That the Budget Report dated January 2, 2026 be accepted as information.

Carried

7. Items for Discussion

2026-009

7.1 Bylaw 562-25: Regional Assessment Review Board Bylaw - Third Reading

Moved By: Councillor Davis

To provide Third and Final Reading to Bylaw 562-25: Regional Assessment Review Board Bylaw, as presented, repealing Bylaw 517-21.

Carried

7.2 Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw

2026-010

7.2.1 Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw - First Reading

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

To proceed with First Reading of Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw, as presented.

Carried

2026-011

7.2.2 Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw - Second Reading

Moved By: Councillor Davis

To proceed with Second Reading of Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw, as presented.

Carried

2026-012

7.2.3 Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw 563 -25: Bylaw - Proceed with Third Reading

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To proceed with Third Reading (as pursuant to section 97 of the Procedures Bylaw) of Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

2026-013

7.2.4 Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw - Third and Final Reading

Moved By: Mayor Barton

To proceed with Third and Final Reading of Bylaw 563-26: Amendment to Bylaw 561-25: Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw, as presented.

Carried

2026-014

8. CAO Report

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

9. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Scott Barton:

- December 18 - Meeting with Dr. Torrie - very similar information as shared with Council. We requested that they provide us with a clear picture of what they are asking from the village. Administration will follow up with Dr Torrie.
- December 23 - Community Futures Board Meeting - they are requesting that Board members receive training. I have been appointed to the Executive and Finance Committees.

Deputy Mayor Stacey Maynes:

- Chinook Arch Regional Library System
 - Board Orientation next Thurs. Jan. 15th at 5:30pm
 - Alternate is welcome to attend

Councillor Justin Davis:

- Nothing to report

Councillor Matthew Foss:

- I have had a number of conversations with the Library manager, Jen Davis, regarding the ongoing transition to become compliant with the Libraries Act. The discussions have been primarily surrounding the financial tracking and accounting services which has historically been completed by the Village of Stirling staff and working to understand the typical relationship between municipalities and Library Boards. We are working towards having a signed service agreement between the Village and the Library Board in place in the near future while trying our best to be compliant and not add additional burden to the Library Board and manager, which may result in additional costs or a reduction in services provided by the Library.
- Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission board is working through the termination of service for Hill Spring. Hill Spring has requested the Commission to review the decision as they believe it was related to the Village of Hill Spring cancelling the CAO contract with the Town of Raymond.

Councillor Nikole Norris:

- Nothing to report

2026-015

10. Correspondence and Items for Information

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

10.1 Alberta Municipal Affairs

10.2 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)

10.3 Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC)

10.4 Legislative Assembly of Alberta

10.5 Alberta Police Funding Model

10.6 Fortis Alberta

2026-016

11. Council Highlights

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

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

- Community Events Committee - Volunteers Wanted!
- Stirling Fire Department - multiple calls over recent weeks
- The Province of Alberta is raising police funding (58% increase for Stirling in 2026)

Carried

2026-017

12. Adjournment

Moved By: Councillor Davis

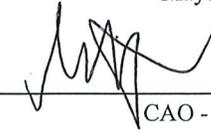
That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Carried

These minutes to be approved on the 21st day of January 2026.



Mayor - Scott Barton



CAO - Scott Donselaar