



STIRLING

Village of Stirling

Meeting Minutes

June 3, 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, June 3, 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 7:01 p.m.

2026-161

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the agenda be adopted as amended to include:

- Discussion Item 7.2: Letter from Lori Skriver

Carried

3. Recognition

Council extends its congratulations to the Stirling School Graduating Class of 2026. We commend the graduates on their achievements and wish them continued success as they pursue future educational, career, and personal opportunities.

Council also recognizes June 1–7 as Seniors' Week in Alberta. This week provides an opportunity to celebrate seniors and acknowledge the invaluable contributions they have made, and continue to make, to our community and communities across the province.

4. Delegations

4.1 RCMP Raymond/Magrath Detachment

Sgt. Brad Noss presented the fourth quarter report to Council. The report highlighted continued focus on traffic enforcement, rural visibility, and community engagement, including proactive traffic operations, rural patrols, school presentations, and participation in community events. The report also provided staffing updates, community consultation activities, and crime statistics for the reporting period of January to March 2026.

If anyone has a non-emergency question, please contact 310-RCMP (7267).

Stirling residents were advised to contact the Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC) for loose/aggressive dogs as well as any bylaw infractions. The RCMP do not possess the equipment for loose dogs, and the Peace Officers are the ones who enforce Stirling's bylaws.

5. Minutes

2026-162

5.1 Adoption of Council Minutes – May 20, 2026

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 20, 2026 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

2026-163

6.1 Accounts Payable

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That accounts payable EFT #20266434 to EFT #20266461 be approved.

Carried

2026-164

6.2 Budget Report

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That the Budget Report dated May 28, 2026 be accepted as information.

Carried

7. Items for Discussion

2026-165

7.1 Pond - Request for Road Allowance Closure

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To deny the request for the closure and further direct Administration to send a letter to Mr. Pond detailing the reasons provided by Senior Planner Brunner as to why this particular road allowance cannot be closed.

Carried

2026-166

7.2 Letter from Lori Skriver

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To direct Administration to develop and implement a communication strategy to inform residents of the appropriate process for reporting concerns regarding loose and aggressive dogs, and further direct Administration to contact the Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC) regarding the specific situation brought forward to Council.

Carried

2026-167

7.3 Pillar 1 Financial Sustainability No. 1.2 Internal Audit

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

To accept Pillar 1: Financial Sustainability No. 1.2 Internal Audit report as information.

Carried

2026-168

7.4 Settler Days Donation to Stirling Wrestling

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

To support the motion of the Community Event's Committee to provide the negotiated Financial Donation to Stirling Wrestling for their participation in volunteering for Settler Days; and to further direct Administration to make said donation of \$850.00 the week following Settler Days.

Carried

7.5 June 16, 2026 Open House Format

- *welcome individuals*
- *presentation on what done in the first 6 months of Council*
- *election issues*
- *Q & A session (and basic guidelines)*
- *casual groupings*
- *open mike (needs a moderator (?) and time limit per person [2-minutes])?*
- *refreshments available*
- *topics included (but not limited to): taxes, election, sidewalks, potholes, growing administration, road safety (speed bumps), loose dogs, etc.*

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8. CAO Report

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

9. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Scott Barton:

- May 22 - AB Munis, Finance and Economy Committee, Conversation focused on Municipal Viability Indicators. Municipal Affairs are in the process of redefining Viability Indicators and the process for municipal dissolution and restructuring. There is a broad spectrum of opinions around this issue. Currently, there are 13 Critical Municipal Indicators that Municipal Affairs monitors closely and about 100 secondary indicators. I will bring a handout of these indicators for your information.
- May 29 - Meeting with CAO re: Performance Evaluation and Internal Review.
- May 29 - Stirling High School Graduation

Deputy Mayor Stacey Maynes:

- Nothing to report.

Councillor Justin Davis:

- Ridge Country Housing Authority Meeting
 - services provided here in Stirling

- Ridge Water Services Commission
 - Meeting on June 4

Councillor Matthew Foss:

- Library Board Meeting
 - a member resigned
 - Crystal Wilde's term is ending
 - post for two openings

Councillor Nikole Norris:

- Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
 - Data collection from the Prentice Institute titled "Prevention Priorities and municipal action in southern Alberta" has been complete and the results have been delivered to Stirling
 - A representative from the Prentice Institute would be happy to come and provide a presentation
- Blue Cross Grant
 - Rural communities
 - \$50,000 grant for activities (playgrounds, skateparks, etc.)
 - offered annually

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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 Town of Pincher Creek

10.2 Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)

10.3 Town of Raymond

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11. Council Highlights

Moved By: Councillor Foss

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

- RCMP Presentation: Sgt. Brad Noss presented 2025-2026 4th Quarter Statistics
- Loose dogs? Bylaw concerns? Contact Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC):
P: 587-813-0791
E: cpo@rrpssc.ca
<https://ridgeregional.com>
- Council Open House:
Tues. Jun. 16/26 @ 6pm
More information coming!
- Detailed internal audit by Mayor Barton and CAO Donselaar – lots of information; a solid start with more to come

Carried

12. Closed Session: Section 19 of the Access to Information Act, Statutes of Alberta, 2024, Chapter A-1.4 Privacy Act

2026-172

12.1 Motion to Enter into Closed Session

Moved By: Councillor Davis

To enter into Closed Session as per Section 19 of the Access to Information Act, Statutes of Alberta, 2024, Chapter A-1.4 Privacy Act at 8:40p.m.

CAO Donselaar and Municipal Clerk Lightfoot left at 8:44 p.m.

Carried

2026-173

12.2 Motion to come out of Closed

Moved By: Councillor Davis

To come out of Closed Session at 9:17 p.m.

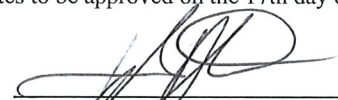
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13. Adjournment

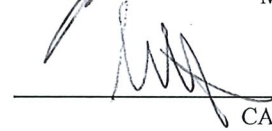
Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

These minutes to be approved on the 17th day of June 2026.



Mayor - Scott Barton



CAO - Scott Donselaar