



STIRLING

Village of Stirling

Meeting Minutes

May 15, 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, May 15, 2024, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Trevor Lewington, Deputy Mayor Larry Nilsson, 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.

2024-143

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the agenda be adopted as amended to include:

- Discussion Item 8.4: Reunion Centre Sign
- Discussion Item 8.5: High School Graduation Gifts

Carried

3. Recognition

Council extends appreciation to the public works team for their hard work, long hours and dedicated service during recent heavy rains in overcoming a mechanical failure at the Village's lift station and ensuring no disruptions to our waste water system.

Council thanks members of the Office team for their additional efforts to successfully complete the byelection for the open Councillor position on May 7th.

Council recognizes the many volunteers who supported the Cemetery Society with the annual cemetery clean-up day on May 11th. Council appreciates the efforts of community members who come together to beautify public spaces and enhance the look of our community.

Council would like to thank everyone who came out to celebrate Stirling's 125th Birthday on Saturday, May 5. Over 200 people came out for cake, ice cream, story-telling and music. Thank you to all the volunteers for making this a wonderful day.

4. Delegations

4.1 Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission

SEO Marian Carlson presenting.

4.2 Stirling Volunteer Fire Department

Fire Chief Birky presenting

4.3 Jack Hicken - Property Tax Request

5. Closed Session: Sections 16 and 25 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

2024-144

5.1 Motion to Enter Closed Session

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To enter into Closed Session at 7:51 p.m. as per Sections 16 and 25 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

*Shane and Susan Reay present
Darren Atkins present via Zoom*

Deputy Mayor Nilsson recused himself at 7:53 p.m.

*Shane and Susan Reay left at 8:05 p.m.
Darren Atkins left the Zoom meeting at 8:08 p.m.*

Deputy Mayor Nilsson returned at 8:23 p.m.

Carried

2024-145

5.2 Motion to Come Out of Closed Session

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To come out of Closed Session at 8:43 p.m.

Carried

6. Minutes

2024-146

6.1 Adoption of Minutes – May 1, 2024

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 1, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

6.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

6.3 Motion Tracker

Council reviewed.

7. Financial Items

2024-147

7.1 Accounts Payable - #20240383 - #20240419

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That accounts payable cheque No. 20240383 to cheque No. 20240419 be approved.

Carried

8. Items for Discussion

2024-148

8.1 County of Warner Regional Recycling Round-Up

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To approve Administration in participating with the Recycling Round-Up and coordinate our date and details with Nikki Stevens at the County of Warner.

Carried

2024-149 **8.2 Lift Station VFD Failure and Leak Report**

Moved By: Councillor Foss

To accept the Lift Station VFD Failure and Leak report as information.

Carried

2024-150 **8.3 Stirling Fire Department Volunteer Employee Handbook**

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To approve the Stirling Fire Department Policy Handbook for members.

Carried

2024-151 **8.4 Reunion Centre Sign**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

To approve the 3rd design choice and direct Administration to proceed with the purchase of the sign, adding it as unbudgeted capital.

Carried

2024-152 **8.5 High School Graduation Gifts**

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To provide each graduate from the 2024 Stirling School graduating class a copy of "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" by Stephen R. Covey.

Carried

2024-153 **8.6 Jack Hicken - Property Tax Request**

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

To approve a tax abatement for Plan 752J, Block 42, Lots 1-4 for the municipal portion only of the 2024 Taxation Notice and Property Assessment invoice for \$550.00.

Carried

2024-154 **8.7 Motion from Closed Session**

Moved By: Mayor Lewington

That Council direct Administration to accept the second offer dated May 7, 2024 on Lot 1, Block 20, Plan 752J, and work through the Village of Stirling's realtor to develop an agreement that reflects Council's discussions with respect to construction timing, and development scale, and subject to the initial offer dated January 18, 2024 be resolved or discharged

Deputy Mayor Nilsson abstained

Carried

2024-155 **9. CAO Report**

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

10. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Lewington:

- Nothing to report

Deputy Mayor Nilsson

- Nothing to report

Councillor Bikman:

- Nothing to report

Councillor Foss:

- Nothing to report

2024-156

11. Correspondence and Items for Information

Moved By: Councillor Bikman

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

11.1 Awards from the Alberta Recreation & Parks Association

11.2 From the Office MP Glen Motz

11.3 Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission

11.4 Oldman River Regional Services Commission

11.5 Alberta Municipalities

11.6 Emergency Management Act

2024-157

12. Council Highlights

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nilsson

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

- Welcome new Councillor Justin Davis
- Community Garage Sale: Saturday, May 25
- Stirling Fire Department: Positive updates on progress, systems & policies

Carried

2024-158

13. Adjournment

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Carried

These minutes to be approved on the 5th day of June 2024.



Mayor - Trevor Lewington



CAO - Scott Donselaar