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This year's edition of Settler Days was an action packed three days full of family friendly fun. It was great to see so many people taking part in the long list of things to do. A huge thank you to the many volunteers who worked tirelessly in the heat to successfully pull it off. It takes a lot of willing volunteers to plan, prepare and deliver our annual community festival. Our community is also fortunate to have dedicated corporate partners and sponsors who help to enhance the event through their generous support.



Stirling will celebrate the 125th anniversary of our community's founding next year. The Community Events Committee is already making plans on how to celebrate this important milestone with the biggest Settler Days yet. If you have suggestions, ideas or better yet would like to help, consider attending a meeting of the committee in the coming months to learn more. Agendas and minutes for the Community Events Committee can be found on the Village website.

Council reviewed and approved a policy this month to clarify compensation for our firefighters when deployed to support Alberta Wildfire. The policy sets out expectations and aligns Village practices with the requirements of the Government of Alberta.

Council also provided second and third reading to an annual bylaw authorizing our operating line of credit and corporate purchasing card. This is an administrative process required by the Village's financial services provider.

Council continued discussions brought forward from last month regarding the purchase and installation of a columbarium at the cemetery. The Stirling Cemetery Society had identified the acquisition of the columbarium as one of their top priorities for beautification and development at the cemetery.

As a result of dry conditions and expected hot weather, a fire ban was put in place for the Village effective July 21st. The ban remains in place until such time as conditions change. Updates will be posted to the Village website as well as the www.albertafirebans.ca website.

Trevor Lewington

“One of the marvelous things about community is that it enables us to welcome and help people in a way we couldn't as individuals.” – **Jean Vanier**

Where families thrive.