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Set in a remote Irish fishing village, “**The Truth About Kerry**” is being promoted as a psycho-thriller with paranormal overtones. In fact, though, it’s only slightly more suspenseful than your average sweeps-month episode of “Desperate Housewives.” In it, a young American woman, Emma (Stana Katic), travels to Ireland to investigate her friend Kerry’s suspicious death. Police ruled it a drowning, but the weird behavior of the locals toward her suggests otherwise. There’s nothing wrong with Emma’s investigation, per se, even if it basically goes nowhere fast (84 minutes). The problem is that Emma is prone to hysterics and the ghost she sees is leading her in the wrong direction. Anyone who’s watched more than few “Law & Order” episodes will guess the “truth” about Kerry, even if Emma doesn’t. On the plus side, County Kerry is a lovely place to set a mystery and Katic is easy on the eyes. The one truly interesting thing about “Kerry” is its journey to the screen. Shot in 2004, it wasn’t screened at a festival until 2010 and is only now showing up on DVD. In the meantime, according to her making-of featurette, writer/director Katherine Torpey shed 140 pounds and husband/collaborator Shaun O’Sullivan. Before feeling confident enough to finish the project, she decided it was necessary to disappear from view and “find herself.” Good for her. – *Gary Dretzka*