

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LA VALLEE

The Regular Meeting of the Township of La Vallee was held at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 14, 2009 with Reeve Emily Watson and Councillors Jim Belluz, Freeda Carmody, Ross Donaldson and Lucille MacDonald in attendance.

Also present were Sylvia Smeeth, Clerk-Treasurer and Terry Beadle, Road Superintendent.

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: None

Fire Department Report: Jim Belluz reported on behalf of the Volunteer Fire Department and indicated that they needed to purchase more tools to have in the vehicles. This was discussed with the Fort Frances Fire Department and identified as a need. Reeve Emily Watson indicated that we are going ahead with the Fort Frances Fire Chief Services. Jim Belluz also indicated the need for our current Chief – Leo Pruys to have high speed internet service at his home to make his job easier. Daily communication will be needed with the Fort Frances Fire Department via the internet from his home.

Road Department Report:

The daily activity report was reviewed. The Road Superintendent, Terry Beadle did not report any major problems. There are a few slippery roads, however it is too cold for sand to bite. The roads department is trying to de-ice the best they can with the equipment. It was mentioned that the Cemetery Gate at Box Alder needs to have a stop put on it. They will deal with this in the spring. Terry Beadle also indicated that it is too hard to plough the driveways the same day as the roads and that the driveways will be done on the second day.

Council Discussion:

Resolutions:

1. MACDONALD/CARMODY: That we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED
2. DONALDSON/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the December 10, 2008 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
3. DONALDSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 615 to 661 in the amount of \$109,427.44 for Dec. 31, 2008 and payroll items numbering from 1 to 12 in the amount of \$27,625.02 for Jan. 14, 2009 be passed and paid. CARRIED

4. BELLUZ/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the December 31, 2008 Financial Statements (before year-end adjustments) as presented. CARRIED

5. MACDONALD/DONALDSON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby transfers the sum of \$5,000 to the Reserve Fund for Capital Equipment and \$1,000 to the Reserve Fund for Sick Leave for the year 2008. CARRIED

6. CARMODY/BELLUZ: That By-Law No. 1148 being a By-law to authorize the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the council of The Corporation of the Township of La Vallee read a first, second and third time be finally passed, signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the Corporate Seal and become law forthwith. CARRIED

7. DONALDSON/CARMODY: That By-Law No. 1149 being a By-law to provide for an Interim Tax Levy and the Payment of Interim Taxes for the Year 2009 read a first, second and third time be finally passed, signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the Corporate Seal and become law forthwith. CARRIED

8. BELLUZ/DONALDSON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Clarington's resolution requesting the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario to expedite its Modernization of Charitable Gaming Project, in particular the application, reporting and administration processes respecting Break Open Tickets and Raffles. CARRIED

9. MACDONALD/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of South Stormont's resolution requesting the Government to review, and amend as required, the powers granted to Inspectors through Bill 50, the Provincial Animal Welfare Act, 2008. CARRIED

10. DONALDSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee approves payment of Insurance premiums to Gillons' Insurance in the amount of \$26,611.00 plus taxes. CARRIED

11. MACDONALD/DONALDSON: BE IT RESOLVED that Emily Watson, Freeda Carmody, Ross Donaldson, Lucille MacDonald and Sylvia Smeeth are hereby approved to attend the 18th Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Rainy River District Municipal Association on January 31, 2009 in Atikokan and that all costs be paid. CARRIED

12. MACDONALD/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee approves payment of \$0.50 per capita for the 2008-2009 program for the Rainy River Valley Safety Coalition. CARRIED

13. DONALDSON/CARMODY: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED

Reeve

Clerk