

## **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, June 10, 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:**

Emily Watson, Reeve gave a brief outline of the protocol for delegates.

Bruce Armstrong from Gillons' Insurance attended and gave a presentation regarding insurance liability regarding the building code and the importance of having a Building Inspector. Bruce answered questions from council and guests/delegates.

Les Caul attended as a follow-up to the petition and letter that he recently provided for council regarding the building code/inspector. There was discussion regarding fees.

Rosanna Tweedie attended to discuss the building code/inspector and the procedural by-law. Rosanna read a presentation regarding these matters.

Murnie Allen attended requesting that the end of Hall Road be upgraded by the municipality. Murnie was advised by council that he would have to bring that portion of the road up to municipal standards before we could take it over for regular maintenance.

**Fire Department Report:** Terry Beadle reported on behalf of the fire department that the fire department had a call to a small grass fire last week. Apparently they had been burning the evening before and it re-ignited the following day.

### **Road Department Report:**

The daily activity report was reviewed. Terry Beadle, Road Superintendent reported that he received a call from Keith Munroe regarding the Dance Boundary Road and that they have someone interested in building a home and would we consider bringing our portion of the road up to standards. Keith Munroe is to attend our next meeting. Work is commencing on the Black Bridge. Terry will ensure that dispatch will be notified and that notices to the public are sent out.

### **Council Discussion:**

There was brief discussion regarding the fridge at the hall being unplugged continually. The clerk was instructed to have both of the fridges serviced to ensure that they are in good working order so that they can remain plugged in. The clerk advised council that we are having continuous problems with the accounting software program as it is very old and outdated. The clerk is going to get an estimate for replacing the software.

**Resolutions:**

95. MACDONALD/CARMODY: That we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED

96. DONALDSON/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the May 13, 2009 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED

97. BELLUZ/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 236 to 305 in the amount of \$109,411.69 for June 10, 2009 be passed and paid. CARRIED

98. CARMODY/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the May 31, 2009 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED

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99. MACDONALD/CARMODY: That By-Law No. 1154 being a By-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates, and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 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

100. BELLUZ/DONALDSON: That By-Law No. 1155 being a By-law to adopt the estimates of all sums required during 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

101. MACDONALD/DONALDSON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Woolwich's resolution urging the Provincial Government to take immediate action to extend the Workplace Safety and Insurance Amendment Act to include Volunteer and Part-time Firefighters. CARRIED

102. DONALDSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls' resolution requesting the Government of Ontario to abandon the harmonized sales tax plan and abide by the Taxpayer Protection Act and consult with taxpayers and voters through a referendum or by campaigning on a platform of raising taxes before introducing any tax increase. CARRIED

103. DONALDSON/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the City of Pickering's resolution appealing to the Province of Ontario to stop the implementation of the proposed Provincial Harmonized Sales Tax until more public consultation and input is received. CARRIED

104. MACDONALD/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Town of Smiths Falls' resolution petitioning the Province of Ontario to increase its annual grants to 15% of library revenue. CARRIED

105. DONALDSON/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOVLED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the County of Oxford's resolution requesting that, in addition to the legislated capping calculation tools currently available, that the Province of Ontario enact legislation to grant municipalities the authorization to effectively eliminate capping in any or all of the protected property classes as they may determine. CARRIED

106. DONALDSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee lobby the Federal and Ontario Governments to ensure that investments made by Canadians in industries be protected in a long term basis and be secured against being moved outside of the country or being permanently closed without consultation with Canadian investors. CARRIED

107. MACDONALD/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers' resolution petitioning the President of CBC and the Board of Directors of CBC to reverse its decision to cut jobs and should job cuts be necessary that they be done proportionately and fairly across the entire nation. CARRIED

108. BELLUZ/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports Homegrown Ontario's resolution supporting the procurement practice of purchasing meat and poultry products produced by Ontario Farmers be identified as the preferred local sustainable procurement practice. CARRIED

109. DONALDSON/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee write a letter to Hon. Dalton McGuinty and our local MPP to request that the rebate be 100% of HST to simplify the process and that municipalities should not be burdened with the cost of tax to operate, as the expense portion of tax simply gets passed on through property tax and user fees. CARRIED

110. MACDONALD/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee designates the Devlin Slo-Pitch League's Annual Gus Lindberg/Kingsly Downs Memorial Tournament on July 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 as a Community Festival. The Devlin Slo-Pitch League shall take full responsibility for all events that take place during this tournament, shall provide the municipality with proof of their Party Alcohol Liability Insurance coverage prior to commencement of the event and have one bartender with a Server Intervention Program Certificate present at all times. And further that the Devlin Slo-Pitch League shall be responsible for clean up of the entire grounds immediately following the closure of this designated event. CARRIED

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

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Reeve

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Clerk

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LA VALLEE

The Special Meeting of the Township of La Vallee was held at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 3, 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

### **Resolutions:**

89. MACDONALD/CARMODY: That we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED
90. DONALDSON/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera for interviews. CARRIED
91. CARMODY/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session and continue with the special meeting of council. CARRIED
92. BELLUZ/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hire Ashlee Nordstrom and Justin Donaldson for the summer student positions with Jake McTavish being the alternate. CARRIED
93. DONALDSON/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee purchase a D3 Caterpillar Dozer from Brian Allan Enterprises for the sum of \$12,000.00 plus freight. CARRIED
94. MACDONALD/BELLUZ: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED

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Reeve

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Clerk