

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 8, 2016 with Reeve Ken McKinnon and Councillors Dennis Allen, Irwin Hughes, Murray Witherspoon and Lucille MacDonald in attendance.

Also present were Patti McDowall, Clerk/Treasurer and Josh Colling, Fire Chief. Mike Hyatt, Road Superintendent was absent.

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: OPP Cst. Anne McCoy attended the meeting to discuss Project Sunset. This is a program that has been started at Crossroads School and focuses on the positive and helps young people realize their potential. Besides explaining how the program works, Cst. McCoy was happy to inform us that a community garden and beautification project have been started at the school with the youth participating in all aspects of the process. She ended by inviting Council to attend the annual Crossroads barbeque on June 15th.

Fire Department Report: The Fire Chief's report was reviewed. Things are going well. The department has been called out to seven fires in the last month. Sept. 30th is the deadline set for fire fighters to obtain their DZ license. We will advertise in newsletter for residents to check and make sure their fire numbers are displayed and in good shape.

Road Department Report: The Daily Activity Report was reviewed. Discussion took place regarding the gravel haul. Road Superintendent was absent.

Council Discussion: The budget was reviewed and accepted.

Council Reports: Dennis and Lucille reported that the elevator for the arena has yet to be ordered.

Resolutions:

94. WITHERSPOON/HUGHES: That we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED
95. MACDONALD/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee designates the Devlin Slo-Pitch League's Annual Gus Lindberg/Kingsley Downs Memorial Tournament on July 11th to 17th, 2016 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
96. HUGHES/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the May 11, 2016 Council Meeting and June 1, 2016 Special Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
97. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 216 to 270 in the amount of \$135,244.36 for June 8, 2016 be passed and paid. CARRIED
98. ALLEN/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the May 31, 2016 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
99. MACDONALD/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1235 being a By-Law to establish the 2016 tax ratios 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. WITHERSPOON/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1236 being a By-Law to establish tax capping options for the year 2016 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. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1237 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 2016 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

102. ALLEN/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1238 being a By-Law to adopt the estimates of all sums required during the year 2016 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

103. MACDONALD/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Reeve and Clerk are hereby approved to sign the FedNor Community Grant Contribution Agreement. CARRIED

104. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Rainy River Vet Services Committee and that the .35 cents per capita fees in the amount of \$330.05 be paid.

CARRIED

105. MACDONALD/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Tay Valley Township in requesting that the Province of Ontario increase funding for research aimed to enhance the testing for Lyme disease and that the Government of Canada determine better treatment for long term outcomes of Lyme disease.

CARRIED

106. HUGHES/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Corporation of the Township of Hornepayne in requesting that the Province of Ontario increase funding for research aimed to enhance the testing for Lyme disease and that the Government of Canada determine better treatment for long term outcomes of Lyme disease.

CARRIED

107. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Gillies in requesting that the Province of Ontario increase funding for research aimed to enhance the testing for Lyme disease and that the Government of Canada determine better treatment for long term outcomes of Lyme disease. CARRIED

108. WITHERSPOON/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Augusta in requesting that the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada provide increased funding for research aimed to eradicate Lyme disease carrying ticks and that the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada provide funding or increased funding for research aimed to test the efficacy of the vaccines developed in the United States or to develop a new Canadian vaccine for the control of Lyme disease in humans.

CARRIED

109. HUGHES/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Corporation of the Town of Essex's resolution that the Government of Ontario be called upon to make it a top priority to complete the final phase of the Highway 3 Widening Project (between Essex and Leamington).

CARRIED

110. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Gillies's resolution regarding cutbacks to behavioral therapy for children affected by autism spectrum disorder.

CARRIED

111. ALLEN/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Corporation of the City of Timmins's resolution to petition the Government of Ontario to regulate fuel prices to the levels that are affordable and profitable as in jurisdictions within Ontario that have lower fuel prices.

112. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Wellington North's resolution urging the Provincial Government to ban all door-to-door sales in the home services sector (more specifically the sale or lease of HVAC equipment, water heaters, water filtration systems and other related home energy products and services by door-to-door sales agents) as soon as possible.

CARRIED

113. HUGHES/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports Union Gas Limited in sending a letter to Premier Wynne letting her know the importance of continued access to natural gas for our residents and businesses and expressing our dissatisfaction with this flawed policy.

CARRIED

114. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Russell's resolution in asking the Government of Ontario to reconsider the suspension and the integration of the Rural Economic Development Program into the Jobs and Prosperity Fund with the view to ensuring that the Rural Economic Development Programs stays as an intricate funding program of the Province that will support capacity building and foster economic growth in rural municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED

115. HUGHES/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Clerk-Treasurer's Report: Estimated Expenses Excluded for the 2016 Budget.

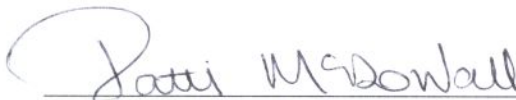
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116. HUGHES/MACDONALD: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk.

CARRIED



Reeve



Clerk