

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, December 14, 2016 with Reeve Ken McKinnon and Councillors Dennis Allen, Irwin Hughes and Lucille MacDonald in attendance. Murray Witherspoon was absent.

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

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: None

Fire Department Report: The Fire Chief, Josh Colling went over his yearly report to Council. He gave a brief overview of what to expect or plan for in the years to come in respect to equipment etc. Public education and fire prevention was discussed. More involvement from our local school is the hope for next year. Fundraising was discussed. The department has to form an organization before they can fundraise. Practices have been going good and have been well attended. The Draft of fees and the By-law for open air burning was reviewed and discussed. It will be revisited next council meeting.

Road Department Report: Daily Activity Report was reviewed. Casual equipment operators were discussed. It was decided to pick two or three and bring in for some orientation on the equipment. Brusher attachment was discussed. Beaver control will resume when it warms up. They have about 4 dams to dig out.

Council Discussion: Hall renovations and what is left to finish for year-end was discussed. Physician Recruitment financials were reviewed.

Council Reports: Irwin and Lucille reported on the Arena. They have hired a new full time employee.

Resolutions:

186. HUGHES/MACDONALD: That we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED

187. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the request for reconsideration on roll number 004-04205-0000 from \$166,000 to \$125,000 AND the request for reconsideration on roll number 001-05102 from \$82,000 to \$24,000. CARRIED

188. HUGHES/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the November 9, 2016 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED

189. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 547 to 626 in the amount of \$105,575.57 for December 14, 2016 be passed and paid. CARRIED

190. HUGHES/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the November 30, 2016 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED

191. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that Fire Chief Joshua Colling be appointed as a member to the Health and Safety Committee. CARRIED

192. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera at 8:30p.m. for Personnel Matters regarding an identifiable individual. CARRIED

193. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session at 8:40p.m. and continue with the regular meeting of council. CARRIED

194. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the amendments to the Human Resource Policy 34.0-Violence in the Workplace and 35.0-Harassment in the Workplace and accepts the new Human Resource Policy 36.0-Workplace Sexual Violence and Harassment. CARRIED

195. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1241 being a By-law to appoint an auditor for 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

196. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1242 being a By-law for the Corporation of the Township of La Vallee to enter into an agreement with the Township of Emo, Township of Chapple and Joshua Colling for Fire Chief Services. CARRIED

197. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that we donate \$100 to the Rainy River District Municipal Association Annual General Meeting. CARRIED


198. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Uxbridge's resolution in supporting Bill 9 which states that all stroke victims receive care regardless of their age. CARRIED

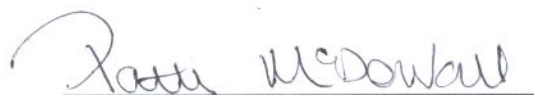
199. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of McKellar's resolution petitioning the Provincial Government to recognize the municipal fire service as critical infrastructure by including funding for Fire Department infrastructures as part of the Provincial Governments Infrastructure Strategy to Move Ontario Forward. CARRIED

200. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports Tay Valley Township's resolution requesting the Province of Ontario to re-evaluate the structure of hydro in terms of access to delivery and implement structural changes to address the unfair practice of charging more for delivery to rural residents. CARRIED

201. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Madawaska Valley's resolution calling on the Government of Ontario and the Ministry of Housing to halt the download of enforcement responsibility for residential rental maintenance standards proposed in Schedule 5 of Bill 7, in light of the significant fiscal challenge each municipality will face to provide this service to the public in a cost-effective manner. CARRIED

202. MACDONALD/ALLEN: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED


Reeve


Clerk