

## 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, March 8, 2017 with Reeve Ken McKinnon and Councillors Dennis Allen, Irwin Hughes, Lucille MacDonald and Murray Witherspoon in attendance.

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

**Conflict of Interest:** None

**Delegations:** Jon Evans and Jeff Savage attended on behalf of BDO Canada regarding the 2016 audit.

Vance Hemphill attended to discuss the furnace at the fire hall. One of the units is so old that it is hard to find parts for it. Vance provided a quote to Council for replacement.

**Fire Department Report:** Fire Chief gave a brief report. Things are going well. The department is looking at doing a fundraiser supper.

**Road Department Report:** Daily activity report was reviewed. The purchase of a half-ton was discussed. The department has done some culvert thawing. Ditching in La Vallee was discussed as the drainage of water has become a problem.

**Council Discussion:** The purchase of river front property was discussed.

**Council Reports:** None.

### Resolutions:

37. HUGHES/WITHERSPOON: That we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED
38. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the February 8, 2017 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
39. ALLEN/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 67 to 111 in the amount of \$88,409.23 for March 8, 2017 be passed and paid. CARRIED
40. MACDONALD/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the Audited Financial Statements from BDO Canada, LLP for the year 2016. CARRIED
41. HUGHES/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee approves the Group Insurance Renewal from Jardine Lloyd Thompson Canada for 2017. CARRIED
42. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee donate \$125.00 to the Fort Frances High School Chem Free Grad. CARRIED  
Yays: McKinnon, Allen, MacDonald and Witherspoon      Nays: Hughes
43. ALLEN/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the February 28, 2017 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
44. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that Council is hereby approved to attend the NOMA Annual Meeting on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> 2017 in Thunder Bay and that all costs be paid. CARRIED
45. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that Township of La Vallee hereby purchase a 2017- 4 wheel drive Super Cab half-ton pickup with the cost not to exceed \$40,000 before taxes. CARRIED  
Yays: McKinnon, Allen and MacDonald      Nays: Hughes and Witherspoon

46. WITHERSPOON/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that Fire Chief, Josh Colling, be approved to attend the Northwest Response Forum in Dryden on April 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>; the OAFIC 2017 on May 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> in Toronto; the 2017 NFPA Fire Inspector Level on June 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>; Fire Con 2017 on September 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>; Occupational Health & Safety on September 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>; and the CEMC Course on October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> pending Emo and Chapple agreeing to split all courses/fees with La Vallee. CARRIED
47. ALLEN/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera at 10:30 p.m. for Personnel Matters regarding an identifiable individual and matters relating to a Committee of Council. CARRIED
48. ALLEN/WITHERSPOON: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session at 11:00 p.m. and continue with the regular meeting of council. CARRIED
49. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Municipal Alcohol Policy. CARRIED
50. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Social Media Policy. CARRIED
51. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls' resolution petitioning Riverside Health Care to abide by the principals of the Canada Health Act and the Patients First Policy to reinstate the services lost to the Emo Health Centre; and that the Riverside Health Care Board of Directors be directed to review the existing service at the Emo Health Centre and implement a more effective service that meets individual and community needs. CARRIED
52. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria's resolution requesting the Honorable Bill Maura, Minister of Municipal Affairs, to rescind proposed Building Code change B-08-09-03. CARRIED
53. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that Mike and Ken are hereby approved to attend the Gravel Road School course on April 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in Thunder Bay and that all costs be paid. CARRIED
54. ALLEN/MACDONALD: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED



Reeve



Clerk