

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, February 12, 2020 with Reeve Ken McKinnon and Councillors Glen Aveyard, Elaine Hughes and Danny Rea in attendance. Jim Belluz was absent.

Also present were Patti McDowall, Clerk/Treasurer and Dale Jerry, Road Superintendent.

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: Elaine Soucy and Lucille MacDonald attended on behalf of the Cemetery Committee. Scatter gardens at each one of the cemeteries was discussed. The committee will look into what is required and the cost and bring back to Council. Fencing for the front of the cemeteries and volunteers to do clean-up was also discussed.

Luc Romaniuk attended on behalf of Gillons Insurance. He went through the renewal on the municipal insurance policy and answered any questions. Luc also advised that Frank Cowan offers other free services that the municipality can access and take advantage of.

Road Department Report: Daily Activity report was reviewed and discussed. De-icing has been on going. Maintenance on the excavator has been done and the machine is ready to go. Culvert replacements were discussed. An invoice that was sent to MTO was discussed.

Fire Department Report: Fire Chief was absent. The 2019 year-end report was reviewed.

Council Discussion: A discussion took place on the Thunder Bay Heart Health Association. The Clerk was directed to have the Chief Building Official attend the next Council Meeting to discuss fees.

Council Reports: The Emo Arena was discussed.


Resolutions:


16. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED
17. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the January 8th, 2020 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
18. AVEYARD/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 16 to 73 in the amount of \$108,020.67 for February 12, 2020 be passed and paid. CARRIED
19. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the Insurance Renewal premiums payable to Gillons Insurance in the amount of \$35,775.00 plus applicable taxes. CARRIED
20. REA/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the Cyber Insurance Renewal premiums payable to Gillons Insurance in the amount of \$2,440.00 plus applicable taxes. CARRIED
21. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the January 31, 2020 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
22. AVEYARD/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby hire Neil MacDonald for the position of Grader/Equipment Operator effective January 10, 2020 with a probationary period of nine months and at the hourly wage as discussed pending the receipt of a criminal record check. CARRIED
23. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) on all the equipment as presented by the Road Superintendent. CARRIED
24. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accept the Lock Out Procedure for equipment as presented by the Road Superintendent. CARRIED

25. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accept the Fire & Emergency Services 2019 Annual Report as presented by the Fire Chief. CARRIED
26. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accept the quotation for the Sparky Walkabout equipment with the costs to be shared between participating municipalities. CARRIED
27. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that Firefighters, Tyler Spry and Alyssa Griffith be approved to attend the Firefighter 1 Course from January to July 2020 (one weekend a month) in Chapple for a total of \$2,128.00 plus \$65.00 admin fee per student and that all costs be paid.
- FURTHER, that Firefighters, Tyler Spry and Alyssa Griffith be approved to attend the Firefighter 2 Course from September to November 2020 (one weekend a month) in Chapple for a total of \$1,064.00 plus \$65.00 admin fee per student and that all costs be paid. CARRIED
28. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee approves making application to the Canada Summer Jobs Program for 2 Summer Students. CARRIED
29. AVEYARD/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1297 being a By-law imposing special annual drainage rates upon land in respect of which money is borrowed under the Tile Drainage Act 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
30. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1298 being By-Law for the purpose of appointing certain officers of the Corporation and for setting the remuneration of such officers of the Corporation of the Township of La Vallee for the year 2020 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
31. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that we authorize the Head of Council to proceed with the remaining items or portion of remaining items on the Agenda past the hour of 11:00 p.m. CARRIED
32. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that Henry Van Ael be approved to attend the April 2020 Chapter Chairs of the OBOA Meeting in Toronto and that all costs be split between the AMBIS partners. CARRIED
33. AVEYARD/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township hereby approves Henry Van Ael's vacation request beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 through Friday, March 20, 2020 for a total of 5 days to be split between vacation days and excess hours. CARRIED
34. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the 2019 Council Remuneration and Mileage as presented. CARRIED
35. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee has no objections to the minutes of settlement on roll number 59-16-000-005-07800-0000 for 2017, 2018 and 2019. CARRIED
36. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to pay \$7.00 per capita to the Rainy River Future Development Corporation in the amount of \$6,601.00 for the 2020/2021 year. CARRIED
37. HUGHES/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agree to send a letter of support for the Rainy River Federation of Agriculture to the Minister of Agriculture regarding Bill 156. CARRIED

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

CARRIED


Reeve


Clerk