

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LA VALLEE

The Regular Meeting of the Township of La Vallee was held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 with Reeve Ken McKinnon and Councillors Glen Aveyard, Jim Belluz, Elaine Hughes and Dan Rea in attendance. This meeting was held at the Devlin Hall.

Also present were Patti McDowall, Clerk/Treasurer, Dale Jerry, Road Superintendent and Darren Hughes, Fire Chief.

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: None

Road Department Report: The Daily Activity Report was reviewed. Brushing is ongoing. Intersections and corners have been deiced. The Road Superintendent is hoping to get the rink flooded before the holidays-weather permitting.

Fire Department Report: The Fire Chief's report for December 9, 2020 was reviewed. Truck checks have been done and the Hall is in good shape. There has been good turnout for practices.

Council Discussion: The recycling of batteries at the landfill was discussed and the disposal of paint cans.

Council Reports: Arena Board Meetings are going well.

Resolutions:

161. BELLUZ/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED

162. REA/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accept the Minutes of Settlement on roll number 5916-000-005-06600 due to updated structure data (structure demolished). CARRIED

163. AVEYARD/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the November 12th, 2020 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED

164. HUGHES/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 530 to 574 in the amount of \$98,441.92 for December 9, 2020 be passed and paid. CARRIED

165. AVEYARD/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the November 30, 2020 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED

166. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the following officers are appointed to various offices.

Deputy Reeve – Jim Belluz

By-Law Officer – Roads Dept. and Dan Rea

AMBIS – Patti McDowall and Ken McKinnon

Pound Keeper – Vacant

Livestock Valuers – Tom Morrish and Jim Belluz

Fence Viewers – Gary Esselink, Shawn Hyatt and Jim Belluz

Arena Board – Elaine Hughes, Jim Belluz and Community member to be appointed

Weed Inspector – Dale Jerry, Road Superintendent

Library Board – Elaine Hughes

Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board (RRDSSAB) – Ken McKinnon

Reginal Economic Development Committee – Glen Aveyard

Rainy River District Municipal Association Executive Committee – Ken McKinnon

Fire Management Wardens – Clerk/Treasurer, Administrative Assistant, Jim Belluz, Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief

Health and Safety Committee – Patti McDowall and Fire Chief

Cemetery Committee – Road Superintendent, Glen Aveyard, Dan Rea, Lucille MacDonald, Todd Morrish and Elaine Soucy

Drainage Superintendent – K. Smart Associates

Emergency Management Committee – Council, Patti McDowall (CEMC), Fire Chief and Jim Belluz (Alternate CEMC)

Emergency Management Control Group – Head of Council, CEMC, Clerk/Treasurer, VFD Fire Chief, Road Superintendent, Emergency Information Officer and designated alternates

Emergency Information Officer- Leeann Galusha

Community Emergency Management Coordinator – Patti McDowall and Alternate, Jim Belluz

Building Official – Henry Van Ael

Deputy Building Official – Alain Tanguay

Lottery Licensing Officer – Patti McDowall

CARRIED

167. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee transfer \$45,000 to the Reserve Fund for Capital Equipment; \$2,000 to the Reserve Fund for Landfill; \$2,000 to the Reserve Fund for Sick Leave and \$45,000 to the Reserve Fund for the Fire Dept. for a total of \$94,000 as per the 2020 budget. CARRIED

168. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera at 7:35 p.m. for the following reasons:

- Security of property;
 - Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees;
 - Proposed or pending acquisitions or disposition of real property;
 - Labour relations and employee negotiations;
 - Litigation or potential litigation, including matter before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board;
 - Advice subject to a solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
 - Any matter with respect to which a council, local board or committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under any other statute;
 - Consideration of a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
- CARRIED

169. REA/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session at 8:30 p.m. and continue with the regular meeting of council. CARRIED

170. BELLUZ/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1309 being a By-law to appoint an inspector to investigate complaints under the Residential Tenancies Act 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

171. REA/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby agrees to donate \$200.00 to the Fort Frances Homelessness Committee. CARRIED

172. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to enter into an agreement with The Electronic Products Recycling Association (Epra) for the collection of electronic waste and recycling and authorizes the Clerk to sign such agreement. CARRIED

173. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the City of Belleville's resolution urging that the Government of Ontario respect Ontario municipalities' ability to apply sound representative principles in their execution of elections; and, recommending that the Government of Ontario support the freedom of municipalities to run democratic elections within the existing framework the Act currently offers without amendment. CARRIED

174. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Town of Shelburne's resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario repeal Schedule 6 of the Budget Measures Act (Bill 229); that the Province continue to work with conservation authorities to find workable solutions to reduce red tape and create conditions for growth; that the Province respect current conservation authority and municipal

relationships; and that the Province embrace their long-standing partnership with the conservation authorities and provide them with the tools and financial resources they need to effectively implement their watershed management role. CARRIED

175. BELLUZ/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Grey Highlands' resolution urging that the Province of Ontario work with conservation authorities to address their concerns by removing Schedule 6 from Bill 229 which affects changes to the Conservation Act and the Planning Act; and that the Province of Ontario delay enactment of clauses affecting municipal concerns; and that the Province of Ontario provide a longer transition period up to December 2022 for non-mandatory programs to enable coordination of conservation authority-municipal budget processes; and that the Province respect the current conservation authority/municipal relationships; and that the Province embrace their long-standing partnership with the conservation authorities and provide them with the tools and financial resources they need to effectively implement their watershed management role. CARRIED

176. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Region of Peel's resolution requesting that upon passage of the 2020 Ontario Budget, the amendment to the Assessment Act be implemented as soon as possible. CARRIED

177. BELLUZ/AVEYARD: BE IT RESOLVED that we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED



Reeve



Clerk