

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, July 13, 2022 with Reeve Ken McKinnon and Councillors Elaine Hughes and Dan Rea in attendance. Councillor Jim Belluz attended virtually. Councillor Glen Aveyard was absent.

Also present were Patti McDowall, Clerk/Treasurer and Neil MacDonald, Road Superintendent. Tyrell Griffith, Fire Chief was absent.

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: Aaron Martin attended to discuss a letter he received. Discussion took place on the proper procedure to be followed when heavy equipment has to access municipal roads for farming operations.

Road Department Report: The Daily Activity Report was reviewed. The gravel haul has started. There was discussion regarding Whiddon Road and access to one of the municipal pits.

Fire Department Report: Fire Chief's report was reviewed. A brief discussion took place regarding the replacement of Fire Department equipment.

Council Discussion: The Mowe Drain, Road Tour notes and Township signs were discussed.

Council Reports: The Emo-La Vallee arena budget was reviewed.

Resolutions:

135. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED
136. REA/HUGHES: WHEREAS Councillor Glen Aveyard is unable to carry out his regular Council duties during July, 2022 for personal reasons;
NOW THEREFORE Council for the Township of La Vallee hereby excuses the absence of Councillor Aveyard from this meeting. CARRIED
137. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the June 8, 2022 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
138. REA/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 277 to 329 in the amount of \$173,765.10 for July 13, 2022 be passed and paid. CARRIED
139. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the June 30, 2022 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
140. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee formally confirms that Tyrell Griffith, Joint Fire Chief has successfully completed the one-year probationary period imposed in his employment agreement, effective on the expiration of the said probationary period on July 4, 2022. CARRIED
141. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts Intact Public Entities Facility User Rate proposal for events set out in the schedule that take place at the Devlin Community Hall or the Ball Park and agree to pay the premium for the extra facility coverage.
The Township of La Vallee also agrees to include the Devlin Adult Ball League in the User Facility Fees as approved by IPE through Westland Insurance. CARRIED
142. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby agrees to accept the bid/quote from Ken Hyatt for the grant work to be completed at the Ball Park. CARRIED

143. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera at 9:35 p.m. for the following reasons: (Employment Performance Review)

- 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

144. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session at 9:45 p.m. and continue with the regular meeting of Council. CARRIED

145. REA/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee direct the Clerk to adjust the Roads Dept. wages as discussed. CARRIED

146. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to increase the monthly office cleaning pay to what was requested and discussed. CARRIED

147. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Court of Revision – Frank Szeder Drain Hearing Minutes of June 7, 2022. CARRIED

148. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby agrees to re-instate the yearly contribution that was previously made to the Safe Communities committee and pay the per capita contribution in the amount of \$0.25 for a total of \$197.00 for 2022. CARRIED

149. HUGHES/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the County of Hastings' resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario develop and implement a community warning program similar to Amber Alert for those persons of special needs or circumstances who leave the caregivers or locations and potentially put themselves at risk. CARRIED

150. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Brighton's resolution that the Minister of the Solicitor General and the Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police, as well as the Premier's Office, be requested to make the necessary changes to the Amber Alert system and create a new alert called the Draven Alert, which will protect vulnerable children who have not been abducted but are at high risk of danger, injury or death and alert the public that they are missing. CARRIED

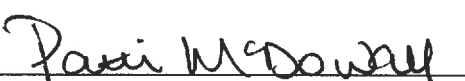
151. REA/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Tweed's resolution requesting the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs review the administration fee provided to Municipalities for the administration of the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program. CARRIED

152. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Greater Madawaska's resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario amend Ontario Regulation 380/04 under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act to provide an exemption to the annual exercise requirement for municipalities that have activated their Emergency Control Group and/or Emergency Response Plan in response to an actual emergency that year in recognition of the significant resources used to respond to the emergency and the effectiveness of such response in evaluation the municipality's emergency response plan and procedures. CARRIED

153. HUGHES/REA: BE IT RESOLVED that we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED



Reeve



Clerk