

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, April 12, 2023 with Reeve Lucille MacDonald and Councillors Ken Badiuk, Brendan Hyatt and Steve Loshaw in attendance. Councillor Elaine Hughes was absent.

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

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: Jon Evan and Jeff Savage attended on behalf of BDO Canada Ltd. The audited financial statements for 2022 were presented, reviewed and approved. The audit went well.

Fire Department Report: The Fire Chief's status report was reviewed.

Road Department Report: Beaver control was discussed. Culvert thawing is on-going. An issue with water flow on La Vallee Road South was discussed. A spare tire for the grader is needed and tires for the loader will need to be included in this year's budget.

Council Discussion: Item #7.2 and #7.3 were tabled to next meeting.

Council Reports: None

Resolutions:

49. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED
50. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the March 8, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED
51. LOSHAW/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 114 to 165 in the amount of \$258,146.95 for April 12, 2023 be passed and paid. CARRIED
52. HYATT/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the Audited Financial Statements from BDO Canada, LLP for the year 2022. CARRIED
53. HYATT/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the March 31, 2023 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
54. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to proceed with a Joint Request for Proposal for updates to the Official Plan. CARRIED
55. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the quote from K. Smart Associates in the amount (not to exceed) of \$5,800.00 plus HST for the 2023 bridge inspections. CARRIED
56. BADIUK/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the Expense Policy as presented. CARRIED
57. HYATT/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to donate to the fundraising Gala for the Rainy River Ag Society for the project "Rainy River Valley Education & Events Centre" to rebuild the 4-H booth and Exhibition hall. DEFEATED
58. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee nominate
for the 2023 Senior of the Year. CARRIED
59. BADIUK/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Tax Arrears Report dated April 12, 2023. CARRIED

60. HYATT/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Report to Council regarding the 2022 Municipal Election. CARRIED

61. BADIUK/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Town of Essex's resolution urging all relevant taxation bodies to re-instate previous legislation that permitted a Municipality to apply for and retain the surplus proceeds from a tax sale in their jurisdiction. CARRIED

62. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Town of Essex's resolution urging the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation ("MPAC"), the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and any other relevant bodies, to investigate the tax classification of short-term rental units and consider taxing them as commercial as opposed to residential. CARRIED

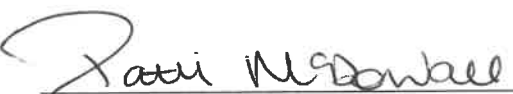
63. HYATT/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera at 10:06 p.m. for the following reasons:

- 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

64. LOSHAW/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session at 10:45 p.m. and continue with the regular meeting of Council. CARRIED

65. LOSHAW/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED


Reeve


Clerk