
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LA VALLEE

The Regular Meeting of the Township of La Vallee was held at 7:00 p.m., Monday, September 18, 2023 with Reeve Lucille MacDonald and Councillors Ken Badiuk, Elaine Hughes, Brendan Hyatt and Steve Loshaw in attendance.

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

Conflict of Interest: Reeve, Lucille MacDonald declared a conflict of interest on agenda item #11.5. She left the room at 9:00 p.m. Deputy Reeve, Brendan Hyatt took over the meeting discussion. Reeve, MacDonald returned to the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

Delegations: Rebecca Webb from CIBC and Tyler Hynnes from Wood Gundy attended the meeting to discuss investing options for the Township.

Fire Department Report: The Fire Chief's status report was reviewed. One new recruit was approved. Job descriptions were reviewed and discussed.

Road Department Report: Brushing and Grading are on-going. The landfill and Township signs were discussed.

Council Discussion: The replacement of a fire number was discussed.

Council Reports: None.

Resolutions:

133. LOSHAW/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED

134. LOSHAW/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the August 9, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED

135. LOSHAW/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 375 to 426 in the amount of \$153,576.94 for September 18, 2023 be passed and paid. CARRIED

136. LOSHAW/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the August 31, 2023 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED

137. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee approves the appointment of Nathan Hopkins to the La Vallee Fire & Emergency Services. CARRIED

138. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1351 being a By-law to provide for indemnification 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

139. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1352 being a By-law to regulate the installation of entrances on Township Roads (entrance permits) 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

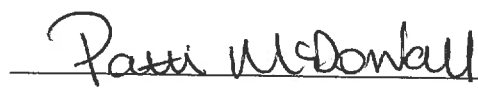
140. HUGHES/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts and approves the Abuse Policy. CARRIED

141. HYATT/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts and approves the Mailbox Policy. CARRIED

142. HYATT/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to enter into a Professional Planning Services Contract with JCP Planning & Development on a fee for service/consultation basis and authorized the Reeve and Clerk to sign the document. CARRIED

143. HYATT/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Township of Emo's resolution urging the Provincial Government to rescind the Ontario Black Ash Recovery Strategy at least as it concerns the Rainy River District and Northwestern Ontario; seek further understanding of the health of the Black Ash in the Rainy River District and Northwestern Ontario and complete a provincial study regarding socio-economic impact on this part of Northwestern Ontario in consultation with stakeholders BEFORE any policies are passed and enacted upon. CARRIED
144. HUGHES/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association's resolution 2023-07 regarding housing. CARRIED
145. HUGHES/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Sioux Lookout's resolution urging the Federal Government provide additional funding for Ontario so that we can deal with our shortages of safe and affordable housing and at the same time build safer and healthier communities for all our residents. CARRIED
146. BADIUK/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Oliver Paipouge's resolution urging the Federal Government provide additional funding for Ontario so that we can deal with our shortages of safe and affordable housing and at the same time build safer and healthier communities for all our residents. CARRIED
147. HYATT/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that all of Council is hereby approved to attend the Rainy River District Municipal Association's General Meeting in Rainy River on September 20, 2023. CARRIED
148. HUGHES/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED


Reeve


Clerk