THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LA VALLEE

The Regular Meeting of the Township of La Vallee was held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, 2025, with Reeve Lucille MacDonald and Councillors Elaine Hughes, Brendan Hyatt, Kenneth Badiuk and Steve Loshaw in attendance.

Also present were Patti McDowall, Clerk/Treasurer and Ty Tesarski, Part-Time Fire Chief. Neil MacDonald, Road Superintendent was absent.

Conflict of Interest: None

Deputation/Delegations: None

Fire Department Report: Fire Chief reported one call-out in the last

month. Training is on-going. A request for gear was discussed.

Road Department Report: Gravel Tenders were opened:

Gravel Tender 1-2025

Granular A (10,000 cu. yards)

B2 (1,000 cu. yards)

Dennis Robinson Ltd.

\$24.65 per cu. yard -Granular A

\$33.25 per cu. yard (B) for a total of \$316,117.50

JTJ Contracting -Emo

\$24.50 per cu. yard-Granular A

\$34.00 per cu. yard (B) for a total of \$315,270.00

Harold McQuaker Ent.

\$27.45 per cu. yard -Granular A

\$40.00 per cu. yard (B) for a total of \$355,385.00

(total included taxes)

Council Discussion: Council has called a Special Meeting for March 19th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss the Fire Hall. Council also discussed the Library Board request.

Council Reports: No Reports.

Resolutions:

- 314. <u>LOSHAW/HYATT</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED
- 315. <u>LOSHAW/HYATT</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the February 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED
- 316. <u>HYATT/LOSHAW:</u> BE IT RESOLVED that paylist items numbering from 73 to 117 in the amount of \$236,404.47 for March 12, 2025 be passed and paid. CARRIED
- 317. <u>HYATT/LOSHAW</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the February 28, 2025 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
- 318. <u>HUGHES/HYATT:</u> BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees with the Joint Fire Chief Committee's resolution recommending that the Joint Fire Chief Committee Partnership be dissolved between the Township of Emo, Township of Chapple and the Township of La Vallee.

319. <u>HUGHES/LOSHAW:</u> BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee rescind the appointment of Scott Grant as the Joint Fire Chief for the Townships of Chapple, Emo and La Vallee. CARRIED

320. <u>LOSHAW/HYATT</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee appoint Ty Tesarski as Part-Time Fire Chief for the La Vallee Fire and Emergency Services. CARRIED

321. <u>HUGHES/LOSHAW</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Fire Chief be approved to order 2 pairs of boots and 6 suits for Fire Dept. Members.

CARRIED

- 322. <u>HUGHES/HYATT</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts Gravel Tender No. 1-2025 from J.T.J. Contracting (Emo) Ltd. in the amount of \$315,270.00 including taxes. CARRIED
- 323. <u>LOSHAW/BADIUK</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the Administrative Assistant's Memo regarding the Volunteer Fire Fighter Meeting.

 CARRIED
- 324. <u>HUGHES/LOSHAW</u> BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1371 being a By-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement between HIS MAJESTRY THE KING IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO as represented by the Minister of Employment and Social Development (Minister of Labour and Seniors) and 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
- 325. <u>HUGHES/HYATT</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1372 being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Conditional Agreement between the NORTHERN ONTARIO HERITAGE FUND CORPORATION (NOHFC) and 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.
- 326. LOSHAW/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1373 being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Transfer Payment Agreement between HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF ONTARIO as represented by the President of the Treasury Board (the "Province") and 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
- 327. <u>HYATT/LOSHAW</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the quote from Saulteaux Consulting to prepare Tender documents for the Community Hall Beautification Project. Also, the Township agrees to have Saulteaux Consulting manage the Project per the quote provided.

 CARRIED
- 328. <u>LOSHAW/HYATT</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby agrees to support the Rainy River Agricultural Society's 6th Fundraiser event for the renovation of the Emo Fair Grounds and agrees to purchase the Dessert Sponsor in the amount of \$500.00. CARRIED
- 329. <u>BADIUK/HUGHES</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby agrees to support the Pushing Up Daisies Fair and agrees to provide the total cost for a one day rental of the community hall. CARRIED
- 330. <u>HYATT/LOSHAW</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby agrees to buy back 6 plots in the Burriss Cemetery -Plot 30B lots c, d, e, f, g and h in the amount of \$600.00 as requested by Marie Docs as the only remaining heir to these plots. An affidavit must be provided by the heir affirming their sole right to interment.

 CARRIED

- 331. <u>BADIUK/LOSHAW:</u> BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera at 9:04_p.m. for the following reasons:
 - □ Security of property;
 - X Personal matters regarding an identifiable individual, including employees;
 - X Proposed or pending acquisitions or disposition of real property;
 - X 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 statue; Council Training.
 - □ Consideration of a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. CARRIED
 - 332. <u>BADIUK/HUGHES:</u> BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our incamera session at 10:18 p.m. and continue with the Regular Meeting of Council. CARRIED
 - 333. <u>LOSHAW/BADIUK</u>: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the CAO/Clerk/Treasurer and Administrative Assistant to attend the AMCTO Zone 9 Spring Meeting in Thunder Bay on April 22nd and April 23rd, 2025 and that all costs be paid.

CARRIED

- 334. <u>HUGHES/LOSHAW:</u> BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee authorizes the clerk to order Township of La Vallee sweatshirts and toques. CARRIED
- 335. <u>HUGHES/BADIUK:</u> BE IT RESOLVED that we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED

Reeve

Clerk