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## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LA VALLEE

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The Regular Meeting of the Township of La Vallee was held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 14, 2026, with Reeve Lucille MacDonald and Councillors Ken Badiuk, Elaine Hughes, Brendan Hyatt and Steve Loshaw in attendance.

Also present were Patti McDowall, Clerk-Treasurer, Jordan Witzke, Fire Chief and Amanda Watson, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer. Neil MacDonald, Road Superintendent was absent.

**Conflict of Interest:** None

**Deputation/Delegations:** None

**Fire Department Report:** The monthly Fire Chief report was reviewed. December was a quiet month. The department responded to a few medical calls. Truck safety is due in January. More surplus equipment will be advertised for sale. It was reported that all firefighters passed FF1 exams. Fire Chief gave update on working group.

**Road Department Report:** No report.

**Administration Report:** None

**Council Discussion:** Road Allowance request was discussed and Clerk was given direction. No new information on Rose Road was provided.

**Council Reports:** None

**Resolutions:**

5. LOSHAW/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED
6. HYATT/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept December 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED
7. HYATT/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 542 to 613 in the amount of \$198,277.42 for December 31, 2025 be passed and paid. BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering 1 to 17 in the amount of \$20,320.73 for January 14, 2026 be passed and paid. CARRIED
8. BADIUK/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the December 31, 2025 financial Statements before year-end adjustments as presented. CARRIED
9. LOSHAW/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby receives the Reports of Municipal Officers as presented. CARRIED
10. BADIUK/HYATT: BE IT ROSOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the resignation of Iain McMillan from the La Vallee Fire and Emergency Services. CARRIED
11. HYATT/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee approves the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer and/or Fire Chief to sign Appendix F for the renewal of the MNR Fire Agreement. CARRIED

12. BADIUK/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee deem the following surplus equipment:

1. -MSA Evolution 5000 Thermal Imaging Camera SN: A1-50384-D10:  
Associated parts: Universal charger and 3 spare batteries.
2. -Imparct Universal AC/DC six-way Rapid Charger SN: IMP-6AC/DC012300812: Associated parts: 120V cord
3. -Strike Master Ice Auger SN: TM049XA-3638D (B) 8121CA CARRIED

13. BADIUK/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1382 being a By-law for the purposes of appointing certain officers of the Corporation and for setting the remuneration of such officers of the Corporation of the Township of La Vallee for the year 2026 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

14. HUGHES/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1383 being a By-law to repeal and replace the schedule of fees in By-Law No. 1367 read a first, second and third times be finally passed, signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the Corporate Seal and become law forthwith. CARRIED

15. LOSHAW/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1384 being a By-law to provide for an Interim Levy and the Payment of Interim Taxes for the Year 2026 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

16. HUGHES/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1385 being a By-law to authorize the execution of a Grant Transfer Payment Agreement between HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN THE RIGHT OF ONTARIO as represented by the Solicitor General (referred to as 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, seal with the Corporate Seal and become law forthwith. CARRIED

17. HUGHES/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee accepts the 2025 Council Remuneration and Mileage report. CARRIED

18. HUGHES/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the purchase of 2 – 50 cup coffee makers, 20 coffee carafes, and a microwave for the Devlin Community Hall. CARRIED

19. LOSHAW/HYATT: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby agrees to sponsor a You're the Chef program waiving costs of hall rental and will provide up to a maximum of \$500.00 for groceries. CARRIED


20. HUGHES/BADIUK: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports Town of Fort Frances Mayor Hallikas' letter supporting the rebuilding the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program to better align with rural and northern labour market needs. DEFEATED

21. LOSHAW/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Magnetawan's resolution urging the Province of Ontario to revise its grant funding criteria to recognize and accept these alternative servicing methods as eligible infrastructure, and to ensure that rural and northern municipalities lacking municipal gas, water, and wastewater systems are not excluded from support. CARRIED

22. HUGHES/LOSHAW: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the City of Peterborough's resolution urging the Province of Ontario to review and reform its current police grant programs to ensure a more equitable distribution of funding to municipalities so that the communities with growing populations and expanding service demands receive fair and sustainable provincial support. CARRIED

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

  
Reeve

  
Clerk