

## 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, January 10, 2018 with Reeve Ken McKinnon and Councillors Dennis Allen, Irwin Hughes and Lucille MacDonald in attendance. Murray Witherspoon was absent.

Also present were Patti McDowall, Clerk/Treasurer, Mike Hyatt, Road Superintendent, and Josh Colling, Fire Chief (arriving later).

**Conflict of Interest:** None

**Delegations:** None

**Fire Department Report:** Monthly report was reviewed. Discussion took place regarding the purchase of a vehicle for Fire Chief. The process of cylinder refills was discussed.

**Road Department Report:** Daily Activity Report was reviewed and discussed. The insulating of the landfill dozer building was discussed. The first flood has been put on the rink. The north wall of township building needs to be looked at come spring. Strongco bill was discussed.

**Council Discussion:** Discussion took place regarding the Human Resource Policy. A few changes need to be made and will be discussed again next meeting.

**Council Reports:** None.

### **Resolutions:**

1. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that we accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED
2. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the December 13, 2017 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
3. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 605 to 643 in the amount of \$88,487.21 for December 31, 2017 and the payroll items numbering from 1 to 10 in the amount of \$18,918.64 for January 10, 2018 be passed and paid. CARRIED
4. ALLEN/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the December 31, 2017 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
5. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the appointment of Iain McMillan to the La Vallee Volunteer Fire Service, with a 12 month probationary period, and a start date of January 12, 2018. CARRIED
6. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee does not wish to be included in an agreement to purchase a vehicle for the shared Fire Chief at this time. It is noted that a municipal vehicle is available for his use or when not available, we will pay mileage for use of his personal vehicle. CARRIED
7. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that we pay the Township of Emo \$1,000.00 more for the Emo-La Vallee Arena Levies for 2017 per the 2017 budget. CARRIED
8. HUGHES/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera at 8 p.m. for labour relations and employee negotiations. CARRIED
9. HUGHES/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session at 8:32 p.m. and continue with the regular meeting of council. CARRIED
10. HUGHES/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that we hereby authorize a 2% wage increase for all employees effective January 1, 2018. CARRIED

Yays: K. McKinnon, D. Allen, L. MacDonald Nays: I. Hughes

11. HUGHES/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that the mileage rate be changed to 0.50 cents/km. CARRIED

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12. MACDONALD/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee transfer \$70,000 to the Reserve Fund for Capital Equipment; \$2,000 to the Reserve Fund for Landfill; \$10,000 to the Reserve Fund for Sick Leave; \$12,000 to the Reserve Fund for Contingency and \$45,000 to the Reserve Fund for the Fire Dept. for a total of \$139,000 for Dec. 31, 2017 as per the 2017 budget. CARRIED

13. HUGHES/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1260 being a by-law to provide for an Interim Tax Levy and the Payment of Interim Taxes for the Year 2018 read a first, second and third time by finally passed, signed by the Reeve and Clerk, sealed with the Corporate Seal and become law forthwith. CARRIED

14. ALLEN/HUGHES: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1261 being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the council of 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

15. ALLEN/MACDONALD: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1262 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement for the Provision of 9-1-1 CERB Services between HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN in right of Ontario, as represented by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services on behalf of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) 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

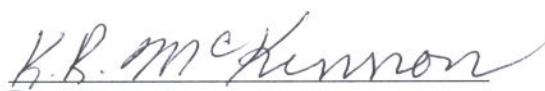
16. HUGHES/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that all of Council and the Clerk are hereby approved to attend the Rainy River District Municipal Association's Annual General Meeting and Conference on January 13, 2018 in Fort Frances and that all costs be paid. CARRIED

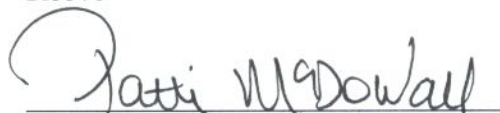
17. HUGHES/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to donate \$100.00 to the Rainy River District Municipal Association's 27<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting and Conference on January 13, 2018. CARRIED

18. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby vests the following three properties that did not sell in tax sale, listed as roll numbers: 5916 000 003 07100 0000; 5916 000 003 07105 0000; and 5916 000 005 03700 0000 and that the balances be written off. CARRIED

19. MACDONALD/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby approves the Application for Rebate of Property Taxes for vacancies in commercial and industrial buildings on Roll # 59-16-000-003-06802-0000 for the year 2017 (pm) 2016 (pm) CARRIED

20. HUGHES/ALLEN: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk. CARRIED

  
Reeve

  
Clerk