

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 13, 2011 with Reeve Ross Donaldson and Councillors Jim Belluz, Freeda Carmody, Dennis Allen and Darcy Robson in attendance.

Also present were Sylvia Smeeth, Clerk-Treasurer and Terry Beadle, Road Superintendent.

Conflict of Interest: None

Delegations: Jeff Savage and Jon Evans from BDO Canada LLP attended to give a report on the 2010 Audit and to explain the new financial statements to council. They reported that it was a challenging year for auditors and municipalities due to the changes in the auditing standards that municipalities must now adhere to. They reported that we had a clean audit.

Fire Department Report: Jim Belluz reported that they just had a meeting and almost everyone from the department was in attendance. They had a really good practice and the new equipment is working well. They have received the new fittings to install the new pump at the fire hall. Jim advised that Mike Gallagher has expressed interest in taking on duties as Deputy Fire Chief. Jim advised that they will work towards getting him trained. Jim gave a brief report on the meeting in Chapple regarding joint fire service discussions.

Road Department Report:

The daily activity report was reviewed. Terry Beadle, Road Superintendent advised that there was a propane fitting leaking outside at the landfill which has been fixed. There have been lots of culvert issues this spring. There was discussion regarding using fill from the Hastie Road rebuild at the Cemetery Road Bridge when they complete the project this year. Terry confirmed that trucks that provide sanding service cannot exceed the gross vehicle weight when loaded. There was discussion regarding quotes received on a new snowplow/dump truck. Council instructed the road superintendent to make a recommendation to council.

Council Report:

AMBIS: The Reeve and Clerk reported that the building inspector will work four days a week instead of five for the municipalities involved in AMBIS. This is due to one municipality no longer participating in AMBIS. The building inspector will not lose any days work, he will work an additional day for advisory services.

DSSAB: Ross Donaldson reported that the DSSAB Board has made a commitment to review positions at the DSSAB this year.

ARENA BOARD: Dennis Allen and Darcy Robson reported that a new zamboni has been ordered.

Resolutions:

41. CARMODY/ROBSON: That we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED
42. BELLUZ/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 9, 2011 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
43. BELLUZ/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 114 to 169 in the amount of \$153,166.56 for April 13, 2011 be passed and paid. CARRIED
44. CARMODY/BELLUZ: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee approves the Final Draft of the 2010 Financial Statements presented by BDO Canada LLP. CARRIED
45. ROBSON/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the March 31, 2011 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED
46. BELLUZ/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that Terry Beadle is hereby appointed as a Fire Warden. CARRIED
47. BELLUZ/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera to discuss personnel matters. CARRIED
48. ROBSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session and continue with the regular meeting of council. CARRIED
49. BELLUZ/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1177 being a By-law to authorize a Communications (call taking and alerting or dispatching) Services Agreement between The Corporation of the Township of La Vallee and the Kenora Central Ambulance Communications Centre, (hereinafter referred to as the "CACC") and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Health 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
50. CARMODY/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1179 being a By-law to authorize Bell Canada to replace a pole along Boxalder Road East in the Township of Woodyatt 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
51. ROBSON/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law No. 1178 being a By-law to establish the 2011 tax ratios 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

52. CARMODY/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee agrees to pay \$7.00 per capita to the Rainy River Future Development Corporation in the amount of \$6,776.00 for the year 2011-2012.

CARRIED

53. BELLUZ/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee donate \$100.00 to the Chem-Free Grad.

CARRIED

54. ROBSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that Sylvia Smeeth be approved to attend the Sector Meeting in Thunder Bay on May 31st, 2011 and that all costs be paid.

CARRIED

55. BELLUZ/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee nominates Bill McLean for Senior of the Year for 2011.

CARRIED

56. ROBSON/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee appoints James Belluz and Ross Donaldson to a committee to explore the sharing of fire services.

CARRIED

57. BELLUZ/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee calls on the Federal and Provincial governments to take leadership roles in recognizing the need to support urban forestry, by establishing urban forestry mandates and programs which includes funding assistance to municipalities for the control and management of the Emerald Ash Borer-and any future significant imported diseases and insects-as well as the creation and funding of programs designed to support the on-going sustainable management of urban forests.

CARRIED

58. ROBSON/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the Municipality of Halton's resolution requesting the Government of Ontario to consider directing a portion of the revenue derived from HST charged on gasoline and diesel sales to a new predictable funding mechanism that will allow Ontario's municipalities to make the critical investments needed to be effective stewards of transportation infrastructure.

CARRIED

59. BELLUZ/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby supports the City of Mississauga's resolution requesting the Government of Ontario to consider directing a portion of the revenue derived from HST charged on gasoline and diesel sales to a new predictable funding mechanism that will allow Ontario's municipalities to make the critical investments needed to be effective stewards of transportation infrastructure.

CARRIED

60. BELLUZ/ROBSON: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of
the clerk. CARRIED

Reeve

Clerk