

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, September 14, 2011 with Reeve Ross Donaldson and Councillors Freeda Carmody, Dennis Allen and Darcy Robson in attendance. Jim Belluz was absent.

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

Conflict of Interest: None

Fire Department Report: The department was called out to one of the local stores; it ended up being an overheated cooler. Ross Donaldson and Jim Belluz reported that they are still discussing shared fire services and are looking at maybe sharing a co-ordinator. Gerry Armstrong and Brad Welky will put together a job description.

Road Department Report: The daily activity report was reviewed. Terry reported that they have been grading the last few days. The roads are in fairly decent condition considering it has been so dry. Hastie Road rebuild has been completed. The contractor has done a great job, we have no complaints. The students are finished for the year, they did a great job; the cemeteries looked great this summer. Work has been completed at the gravel pit for drainage. The landfill looks great. Terry was instructed to put up a yard light at the landfill so that it can be run from the generator. The new plow truck should be on its way to Thunder Bay next week.

Council Discussion:

There was discussion regarding the hall and it was decided that all tables and chairs are to be put away with the exception of the ones in the lower section. Renters are responsible for putting items away where they belong. We will ask the building inspector for a sketch that would work for adding an accessible bathroom at the hall so we can get started.

The Clerk advised that we had received three proposals for the Official Plan update and that the three Clerks were going to take them to Thunder Bay to have them reviewed by Municipal Affairs so that a recommendation could be made.

There was discussion regarding the rink shack. Ross and Terry will measure and order the windows and Murray Witherspoon offered to have the screens welded. Terry indicated that we have material for the screens.

Freeda and Sylvia have been authorized to arrange a gift for the RRDMA in January.

Council Reports:

Arena Report: The rates have been set for the year. The same people are running the canteen as last year. Neil MacDonald has been hired. New toilets and sinks are being put in and the electricians are looking at the stoves. The arena is selling spots on the ice for advertising.

REDC Report: They are currently working on Regional Strategic Planning.

DSSAB: They are going into staff negotiations and they are working on CAO recruitment. Things are going quite well at the DSSAB right now.

AMBIS: Barry Strachan has been hired to replace Dean Bethune and Henry is going to take a new position with the Advisory Services. Advisory Services is hiring someone to replace Henry. Henry will remain in the position of Building Inspector until someone new is trained.

Resolutions:

106. CARMODY/ROBSON: That we accept the Agenda and Agenda Addendum as presented. CARRIED

107. ALLEN/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the August 10, 2011 Council Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED

108. ROBSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that payroll items numbering from 368 to 423 in the amount of \$97,599.85 for September 14, 2011 be passed and paid. CARRIED

109. CARMODY/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that we now go in-camera to discuss personnel matters. CARRIED

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110. ROBSON/ALLEN: BE IT RESOLVED that we now close our in-camera session and continue with the regular meeting of council. CARRIED

111. ROBSON/CARMODY: BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of La Vallee hereby accepts the August 31, 2011 Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED

112. ALLEN/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that Sylvia Smeeth is hereby approved to attend the Emergency Management Sector Meeting in Thunder Bay on October 26, 2011 and that all costs be paid. CARRIED

113. CARMODY/ROBSON: BE IT RESOLVED that Terry Beadle, Sylvia Smeeth and Darcy Robson be approved to attend the 2011 Funeral, Burial & Cremation Services

Act Training Seminar in Kenora on October 6th, 2011 and that all costs be paid.

CARRIED

114. ROBSON/ALLEN: That we adjourn to the next regular meeting or the call of the clerk.

CARRIED

Reeve

Clerk