



GRAND VALLEY

The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, 5 Main Street North, Grand Valley

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None.

7. Public Questions

Members of the Public are required to submit written questions in advance to info@townofgrandvalley.ca.

None.

8. Unfinished Business

None.

9. Staff Reports

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Recommendation

THAT Council receives the Report- CAO Progress Update for information purposes.

9.1.2 Report - Application to the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund 26

Recommendation

THAT Council receives Report – Application to the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund,

AND THAT Council approves an application for the Housing-Enabling Water System Fund for the Town’s new Elevated Water Storage Tank as proposed.

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Recommendation

THAT Council receive the Report - Public Works Update for information purposes.

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Recommendation

THAT Council receive Report PLN07-2024 Planning Update for Information Purposes.

9.4 By-Law Enforcement

None.

9.5 Parks and Recreation

None.

10. Public Meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act - 7:00 p.m.

10.1 Application File (Z01-2024) to the Town's Zoning By-Law (2009-10, as amended) to prohibit the keeping of chickens in non-agricultural zones in the Town of Grand Valley

10.1.1 Public Meeting and Recommendation Report PLN08-2024 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application Z01-2024 Urban Chickens 35

Recommendation

THAT Council receive the Public Meeting and Recommendation Report No. PLN08-2024 – Zoning By-Law Amendment Application Z01-2024 Urban Chickens

AND FURTHER THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z01-2024, to amend the Town of Grand Valley Zoning By-law 2009-10, as amended, to prohibit the keeping of Urban Chickens, as generally shown in **APPENDIX 1: DRAFT ZONING BY- LAW**, of this report, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to prepare and present the by-law for passing.

11. Pending Items

None.

12. Correspondence

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None.

16. New Business

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None.

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18.1 By-Law 2024-XX 51

Being a By-Law to appoint an Emergency Management Program Committee, a Municipal Emergency Control Group and an Emergency Information Officer, per the Requirements of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, and to repeal By-Law 2018-63

18.2 By-Law 2024-XX 53

Being a By-Law to Amend By-law 09-10, as amended, known as the Zoning By-law for the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley, to amend the By-law to deal with a Housekeeping Item – Urban Chickens.

18.3 By-Law 2024-XX 54

Being a by-law to appoint a Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley

18.4 By-Law 2024-XX 55

Being a by-law to appointment a Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Deputy Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley and to repeal by-law 2020-25

19. Closed Session (if required)

None.

20. Closed Meeting Summary

None.

21. Confirm Proceedings

21.1 By-Law 2024-XX 56

Being a By-law to confirm the Proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley at its Meeting held on April 9, 2024

22. Adjournment



The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 10:00 am
Council Chambers, 5 Main Street North, Grand Valley

Council Present: Mayor Steve Soloman
Deputy Mayor Philip Rentsch
Councillor Lorne Dart
Councillor James Jonker
Councillor Paul Latam

Staff Present: Meghan Townsend, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Treasurer
Mark Kluge, Town Planner
Matthew Bos, Director Public Works
James Allen, Recreation Facilities Manager
Brad Haines, By-Law Enforcement Officer
Donna Tremblay, Deputy Clerk/Communications Coordinator

Others Present: Joe Miedema, P. Eng., General Manager, Dufferin Water
Company Limited.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Soloman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Councillor Dart attended the meeting virtually.

Deputy Mayor Rentsch arrived at 10:05 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution: 2024-03-21

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the agenda and any addendums dated Tuesday, March 26, 2024 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

No pecuniary interest was declared.

4. Approval of Previous Minutes

4.1 March 12, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes

Resolution: 2024-03-22

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the March 12, 2024 Regular Council Meeting a be approved as circulated/amended.

CARRIED

5. Announcements

Mayor Soloman provided his condolences on the recent passing of family members to Councillor Jonker and Deputy Mayor Rentsch.

6. Deputations/Presentations

Resolution: 2024-03-23

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to Joe Miedema, P. Eng. General Manager, Dufferin water Company Limited, to address Council.

CARRIED

6.1 Joe Miedema, P. Eng., General Manager, Dufferin Water Company Limited - 2023 Grand Valley Annual Water Reporting

Joe Miedema, P. Eng. General Manager, Dufferin Water Company Limited came before Council to present a summary of the information contained in the legislated and annual Drinking Water System reports. He informed Council based on the presented reports no non-compliance issues were reported during inspections in 2023

Councillor Dart arrived at 10:20 a.m.

Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer requested Mr. Miedema provide Council with information on backflow prevention, high risk areas and Source Water Protection.

Mr. Miedema outlined backflow procedures identifying the car wash and waste water treatment plant as potential areas of backflow risk, indicating however that the car wash was not on municipal water services. Mr. Miedema identified source water protection as a Grand River

Conservation Authority responsibility suggesting Council request a delegation from the GRCA to provide Source Water Protection information. CAO Townsend advised the Town receives Source Water Protection annual reports as required under the program.

Mayor Soloman thanked Mr. Miedema for his presentation.

6.1.1 Ontario Drinking Water Systems Regulation O. Reg 170/03-Optional Annual Report

6.1.2 Grand Valley Water Systems - 2023 Annual Summary Report

Resolution: 2023-03-24

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the presentation from Joe Miedema, P. Eng. General Manager, Dufferin Water Company Limited and directs that the reports be posted on the website.

CARRIED

7. Public Questions

There were no public questions.

8. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

9. Staff Reports

9.1 CAO/Clerk Treasurer

9.1.1 Report - Meeting Remuneration Rate

Council considered the report with no questions of staff.

Resolution: 2024-03-25

Moved by: P. Rentsch

Seconded by: L. Dart

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives Report – Meeting Remuneration Rate,

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the per-meeting increase to \$80 per meeting and directs staff to prepare and present the necessary by-law for passing.

CARRIED

9.1.2 Report - Treasurer's Update

Council considered the report and provided the following questions:

- Roads Department Expenses - line 3211 #43 1994 Champion Grader. Staff advised expense title would be amended and the amount reflected lease payments for the new grader.
- Community Park Development. Staff advised amounts reflect work completed in 2023.

Resolution: 2024-03-26

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Report - Treasurer's Update for information purposes.

CARRIED

9.1.3 Report - New Police Services Board Appointments under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019

CAO Townsend provided a summary of the report. Council considered the report and did not provide any questions.

Resolution: 2024-03-27

Moved by: P. Rentsch

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Report - New Police Service Board Appointments under the *Community Safety and Policing Act*, 2019,

AND FURTHER THAT Council appoints James Jonker as the Council representative and Josh Hoskin as the Public Representative to the O.P.P. Detachment Board for Amaranth, East Garafraxa and Grand Valley until the end of the term of Council in 2026, pending provision of a clear police record check as required.

CARRIED

9.1.4 Memo Office Closure, April 3, 2024

CAO Townsend provided a summary of the Memo and there were no questions of Council.

9.1.5 Grand Valley Medical Dental Centre Management Agreement - Verbal Discussion

CAO Townsend provided a summary of a discrepancy as to whether the 2007 property transfer to Grand Valley included both land and building. Staff are recommending Council consider providing staff direction to seek a legal opinion regarding the transfer and whether the building should be considered an asset of the Board.

Councillor Dart left the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

Resolution: 2024-03-28

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to obtain a legal opinion on the ownership status of the Medical Dental Center, to include positions of any and all interested parties with regards to the ownership.

CARRIED

9.2 Public Works Director

9.2.1 Report - Concession 2/3 Advanced Warning Signage

Matthew Bos, Director of Public Works provided a summary of the report. Council considered the report and sought clarification regarding the use of Truck Entrance signage. Staff advised the Ontario Traffic Manual Book 6 Warning Signs only recognizes Truck Entrance signage, with no reference to Farm Equipment Entrance signage, with Truck Entrance Signage recommended when there is 150 meters of visibility or less.

Resolution: 2024-03-29

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Report- Concession 2/3 Advance Warning Signage and approves the installation of Truck Entrance Warning signage on Concession 2/3 in advance of the driveway noted in the report.

DEFEATED

9.3 Planner

9.3.1 Report - PLN06-2024 Cor Seed Inc. (Cortel Group) - Request to Extend Draft Plan of Approval

Mark Kluge, Town Planner, provided a summary of the report.

Council considered the report and sought clarification as to whether the draft approved plan includes a traffic circle. Staff advised a traffic control signal was included in the draft approved plan.

Resolution: 2024-03-30

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report No. PLN06-2024, dated March 26, 2024, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves an extension of Draft Plan Approval for Subdivision 22T-201601 – Cor Seed (Roll #106400), for three years to May 25, 2027.

CARRIED

9.4 By-Law Enforcement

9.4.1 Report - By-Law Enforcement Status Update - February 2024

Brad Haines, By-law Enforcement Officer provided a summary of his report including a verbal update on canine control complaints, enforcement of overnight parking and an increase in property standard complaints due to warmer weather.

Council discussed the report and sought clarification regarding the parking posted time issue. Staff advised the issue relates to failing to follow posted parking time limit signage. Council inquired as to the use of automated licence plate readers, with staff providing information on how this could address parking issues.

Resolution: 2024-03-31

Moved by: P. Rentsch

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct by-law staff to investigate and report to Council the cost of an automated license plate reader.

CARRIED

Resolution: 2024-03-32

Moved by: P. Rentsch

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Report – By-law Enforcement Status Update- February 2024, for information purposes.

CARRIED

9.5 Parks and Recreation

9.5.1 Report - Recreation Facilities Manager Update

James Allen, Recreation Facilities Manager, provided a summary of his report,

Council considered the report and there were no questions.

Resolution: 2024-03-33

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: P. Rentsch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Report – Recreation Facilities Manager Update for information purposes.

CARRIED

10. Public Meeting

There were no public meetings.

11. Pending Items

There were no pending items.

12. Correspondence

12.1 Grand Valley River City Truck Show - Request for Noise Exemption

Resolution: 2024-03-34

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: P. Rentsch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the request for an exception to By-Law 2021-72, a By-Law to Prohibit Excessive Noise from the Grand Valley River City Truck Show for a Truck Show and Shine Event on Saturday, June 15th on the Agriculture Grounds, 90 Main St. North, Grand Valley;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the noise exemption request and directs the organizers advise the OPP and the neighbouring property owners of the event.

CARRIED

12.2 Grand Valley Minor Hockey - Grand Valley Community Centre Fee Waiver Request

Council considered the request and Council's approved Community Center Fee Waiver Policy.

Resolution: 2024-03-35

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Rentsch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the Community Centre Rental Fee Waiver Application from the Grand Valley Minor Hockey to hold their Annual General Meeting and Awards Ceremony in the Grand River Room on Saturday, May 4, 2024 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the fee waiver and that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Recreation Facilities Manager;

DEFEATED

12.3 Township of Amaranth - Resolution - Operational Budget Funding

Resolution: 2023-03-36

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the correspondence listed on the Tuesday, March 26, 2024, Council Agenda.

CARRIED

13. Council Updates

Councillor Jonker updated Council on the recent Grand Valley Public Library Board meeting. The Board has approved closing the library for a day to prepare for the annual duck race book sale, they celebrated years of service recognition for library staff and completed the 2023 annual report.

Councillor Latam updated Council on a recent AMO Board meeting. He advised the Board discussed Emergency Services rights to bargain and the Provincial Governments Bill to reverse an Ontario Energy Board decision to eliminate the 40 year amortization period for natural gas connections.

14. County Council Report

14.1 Dufferin County Paramedic Service (DCPS) Retirement - Tom Reid

15. Boards and Committees

Resolution: 2023-03-37

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Board and Committee Minutes listed on the Tuesday, March 26, 2024, Council Agenda.

CARRIED

15.1 Minutes

15.1.1 Economic Development Advisory Committee - January 18, 2024 Minutes

15.1.2 Grand Valley and District Community Centre - January 31, 2024 Minutes

15.2 Recommendations

15.2.1 Regulating By-Law for Grand Valley and District Fire Department

CAO Townsend advised the Fire Board's recommendation is Council's approval of a Fire Regulating By-law which has been included for Council's consideration.

15.2.2 Grand Valley and District Community Centre - 2024 Approval Budget

Resolution: 2024-03-38

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: P. Rentsch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the 2024 Grand Valley and District Community Centre Budget as presented, with Grand Valley's portion not to exceed \$200,881.00 for operating expenses.

CARRIED

15.2.3 Grand Valley Economic Development Advisory Committee - 2024 Approved Budget

Resolution: 2024-03-39

Moved by: P. Rentsch

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the 2024 Economic Development Advisory Committee budget and that it be paid from reserves.

CARRIED

15.3 Grand Valley and District Community Centre - Resolution - March 11, 2024 - Outdoor Multi-Use pad

CAO Townsend provided a summary of the resolution.

Council discussed the Community Centre Board Resolution - March 11, 2024 Outdoor Multi-Use pad and sought clarification as follows:

Timing - Staff advised the Tender needs to move forward quickly in order to meet project completion funding timelines.

Receipt of Grant Funding - Staff advised the application was submitted by the Town and grant funds would be provided to the Town for the project.

Resolution: 2024-03-40

Moved by: P. Rentsch

Seconded by: J. Jonker

WHEREAS the outdoor multi-purpose pad is a Town initiated project;

AND WHEREAS the Trillium Grant has to be spent by September 2024;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Grand Valley does not include the addition of refrigeration pipes in the Request for Tender for the project.

CARRIED

16. New Business

There was no new business.

17. Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

18. By-laws

Resolution: 2023-03-41

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to introduce the by-laws listed on the Tuesday, March 26, 2024 agenda and that the By-laws be given the necessary reading and passed and numbered as By-laws 2024-14 and 2024-15.

CARRIED

18.1 By-Law 2024-14 - Being a By-law to Establish and Regulate the Grand Valley and District Fire Department and to repeal By-law Number 2023-17

18.2 By- Law 2024-15 - Being a By-law to provide for paying remuneration to members of Council and Local Boards

19. Closed Session

There was no closed session.

20. Closed Meeting Summary

There was no closed meeting summary.

21. Recess - approximately 11:30 a.m.

Council recessed for a lunch break at 12:09 p.m. and resumed at 1:02 p.m.

Resolution: 2023-03-42

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council will recess the Regular Council Meeting at 1:05 p.m. to hold a Special Meeting - 2024 Budget.

CARRIED

22. Resume

Resolution: 2023-03-45

Moved by: L. Dart

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council resume its Regular Council Meeting at 2:07 p.m.

CARRIED

22.1 Resolution - 2024 Town of Grand Valley Budget

A recorded vote was requested.

Resolution: 2024-03-46

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Special Council Meeting - Report - March 26 Draft 2024 Operating Budget Second Presentation and approves the 2024 Town of Grand Valley Budget as presented and amended in discussion.

For (5): S. Soloman, P. Rentsch, L. Dart, J. Jonker, and P. Latam

CARRIED (5 to 0)

23. Confirm Proceedings

23.1 By-Law 2024-16 - Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council

Resolution: 2023-03-47

Moved by: J. Jonker

Seconded by: P. Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 and that it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered as By-Law 2024-16.

CARRIED

24. Adjournment

Resolution: 2023-03-48

Moved by: P. Rentsch

Seconded by: L. Dart

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn this meeting of Council at 2:10 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 for a Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED

Steve Solomon, Mayor

Meghan Townsend, Clerk



The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley

Special Council Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2024, 11:30 a.m.
Council Chambers, 5 Main Street North, Grand Valley

Council Present: Mayor Steve Soloman
Deputy Mayor Philip Rentsch
Councillor Lorne Dart
Councillor James Jonker
Councillor Paul Latam

Staff Present: Meghan Townsend, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Treasurer
Mark Kluge, Town Planner
Matthew Bos, Director Public Works
James Allen, Recreation Facilities Manager
Donna Tremblay, Deputy Clerk/Communications Coordinator

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Soloman called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.
Councillor Dart attended the meeting virtually.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution: 2024-03-43

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the Special Council - 2024 Budget Meeting agenda and any addendums dated March 26, 2024 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

No pecuniary interest was declared.

4. Staff Reports

4.1 CAO/Clerk Treasurer

4.1.1 Report - March 26 - Draft 2024 Operating Budget Second Presentation

Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer provided opening remarks indicating Council's February 26h Special Council Meeting - Budget amendments were completed and that information regarding those amendments have been included within the summary pages attached to Report - March 26 - Draft 2024 Operating Budget Second Presentation.

Mayor Soloman thanked staff for their remarks and opened the floor for Council discussions.

Council considered each of the summary pages requesting the following amendments:

Council

Gateway Signage project be funded from Hydro Dividends reserves (GV Beautification).

Storm Water Systems

Council requested staff work with Burnsides to ensure all works are completed prior to future subdivision assumptions.

Public Works Vehicles

Council sought clarification regarding vehicle numbering:

- T43- 2023 Ram 1500 - Director of Public Works vehicle
- 401- former one-ton
- Kubota number 49 - 2021 Kubota. Council requested staff investigate a 2024 trade-in value.

23 Mill Street Project

Council requested Hydro Dividends (GV Beautification) reserve funding for the project as follows:

- \$30,000 for Mill Street project
- \$30,000 for Grand Valley sign revitalization project.

Councillor Dart arrived at 1:45 p.m.

Splash Pad

CAO Townsend advised investigations have identified the splash pad water meter was improperly installed and may impact 2024 splash pad operating budgeted amounts. Impact will depend on usage this summer.

Summary and Annual Repayment Limit

Council requested removing \$10,000 - additional one seasonal roads employee as it was indicated in the summary report. CAO Townsend advised that it had already been removed from the budget.

CAO Townsend provided a summary of the changes to the total budget request, tax levy and percentage, including an explanation on the Annual Repayment Limit amount advising staff would provide further information to Council.

Council requested staff investigate municipal best practices for revenue streams and to provided property owners with tax increase information, including an explanation of what has resulted in the increase and how taxes are used. Staff advised newsletter-type inserts will continue to be included with tax bills setting out this information and encouraged Council to suggest residents read the inserts.

Mayor Soloman thanked staff for preparation and presentation of the 2024 Grand Valley Budget.

5. Adjournment

Resolution: 2024-03-44

Moved by: P. Latam

Seconded by: J. Jonker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn this meeting of Council at 2:06 pm to meet again on April 9, 2024 for a Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED

Steve Soloman Mayor

Meghan Townsend Clerk



MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 24 million Canadians give their time through formal or informal types of volunteering, and locally 2723 individuals, and 179 member organizations are registered with VolunteerDufferin.ca; and

WHEREAS, volunteers in Grand Valley mentor our children, support those feeling isolated, beautify our green spaces, and fundraise for our charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, the theme for the celebration of National Volunteer Week 2024 is “Every Moment Matters,” volunteers in Grand Valley share their time, skills, empathy and creativity with each and every contribution they make, at a moment when we need support more than ever before; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are vital to making a collective impact on the strength, inclusivity, quality of life and well-being of our communities; and

WHEREAS, Grand Valley’s volunteers are individuals, families, workers, retirees, community members of all ages and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the collective result of the work done by our town’s volunteers is that Grand Valley is a more desirable place to live; and

WHEREAS, volunteers serve on Boards, help host community festivals, stock shelves at food banks, deliver meals to seniors, help in schools, plant community gardens; and

WHEREAS, organizations in Grand Valley that rely on volunteers are the fundamental backbone of what helps to make our community thrive;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Soloman, Mayor of Grand Valley, do hereby proclaim April 14 - 20, 2024, as National Volunteer Week, and urge my fellow citizens to recognize the crucial role played by volunteers in our community.

Every Moment Matters | National Volunteer Week | April 14 - 20, 2024

Ca Compte Toujours | La Semaine de l’action bénévole | Du 14 au 20 Avril 2024



GRAND VALLEY

STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor and Members of Council
From: Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Meeting Date: April 9, 2024
Report Number: 2024-002
Subject: CAO Progress Update

Recommendation

THAT Council receives the Report- CAO Progress Update for information purposes.

Executive Summary

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to give Council an update on ongoing projects, outstanding directives, and other items of which Council should be made aware.

Key Findings

Many projects underway, and updates on each are provided.

Financial Implications

None.

Report
Discussion

Task	Start/Resolution Number	Estimated Completion	Discussion/Update
Office Renovations		April 30, 2024	Staff office rearrangements are underway. One new desk arrived, another on order. New computers have arrived and are being set up. Renovations for front lobby shelving underway.
2024 Emergency Exercise – Wildfires		April 12, 2024	As required under legislation, members of the Town’s Emergency Control Group will participate in the Wildfire Exercise on Friday, April 12, 2024 at Monora Park.
Water Tower Rehabilitation Project		Year End 2024	CAO working with contractor, Bell Mobility, MCI Automation to ensure that antennae on the tower is moved when required. Coordinated meeting with Dufferin Water Ltd and the contractor regarding the project. Work to start late summer.
Rogers Fibre to the Home project		Year End 2024	Public Works working with contractors regarding some damage to culverts.
23 Mill Street visit	2023-11-34		No update.
Gateway Signage		Spring 2024	Council directed that it be determined where there are County gateway signs, where signs could go and potential pricing for the current sign design. Funding for some signs was approved in 2024 Budget. Proposal to be presented.
Emma Street vacant land	2023-10-36	2024	Council direction to present options on relocating the driveway and the current Official Plan and Zoning By-law policies. Part of future Recreation discussion along with future discussion on landscaping responsibilities.

Task	Start/Resolution Number	Estimated Completion	Discussion/Update
23 Mill Street Site Remediation	2023-05-06	Year end 2023	Connecting with consultant regarding pump installation and next steps.
Community Centre Expansion Project	2023-06-15	2026	Tender drawings in progress.
Drainage Repairs in subdivisions	2023-10-30	2024	Included in 2024 capital budget. Collaboration with local condominium board during meeting on April 11.
Sale of Gravel Pit lands in Southgate Township	2023-08-06	Spring 2024	No update.
Medical Dental Centre Parking Lot Line Painting	2023-06-29	Spring 2024	Will be included in 2024 painting program.
Trailway Parking Lot agreement		March 29, 2024 - overdue	Landowner comments have yet to be received.
56 Main Street North survey		Delayed from year end estimated completion	Waiting for Land Registrar confirmation, then will proceed with ensuring neighbouring property's descriptions match.
Engineering Standards for subdivision drainage	2023-10-31	April 2024	Report on engineering standards for drainage in subdivisions and details on how the works are approved. CAO working with Burnsides to prepare this report.
Various Engineering Projects		various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Landfill monitoring reduction – Province advises that a new Environmental Officer has been assigned to review our request. No update. Scott Street Development – meeting with developers held on March 28, with request for information from each partner being discussed.

Task	Start/Resolution Number	Estimated Completion	Discussion/Update
New Decal Policy		2024	Requested by Council that all Town-owned or leased vehicles have consistent branding. Sample policies received from other municipalities. Staff to review.
Service Fees on credit cards accepted as a method of payment	2023-11-37	July 1 2024	Council direction to investigate 2% surcharge on credit card payments. Project to be assigned to new treasurer.
Credit Card Management Policy	October 24, 2023 Item 10.2.1.2	March 26 2024	Per Council direction, revisions to draft policy will be presented.
Land in Amaranth Township	2022-04-06	YE 2024	To be sold. Original attempts were unsuccessful. Recommendation report to come in March to propose reattempt to sell in spring 2024.
Municipal Staffing	2024-01-52		Treasurer recruitment completed. RFP for Human Resources Review project has been issued.
Garden Club 2024 projects	2024-01-37	Q2 2024	Garden Club seeking 3 rd quote and then will discuss with CAO.
Development Charges By-law		July 31, 2024	All-day Meeting with consultants, engineers, staff and management on March 21, 2024.
Community Risk Assessment		July 1, 2024	Consultants nearly finished draft report.
Electronic Agenda Management and Live Streaming Meetings		June 30, 2024	Working with website, eScribe, and iSiLive – staff training underway, template development in progress, website incorporation under review. Hardware and software review underway.
Fire Service Delivery Model Review	County project		Submitted documentation requested (population growth, fire board agreements). No updates.
Housing Enabling Water Systems Fund		April 31, 2024	On agenda.

Task	Start/Resolution Number	Estimated Completion	Discussion/Update
Police Service Board realignment		Ongoing	New board member training is being arranged. Estimating that first meeting will be in June, once all three municipalities have their appointees trained.
2023 Audit		June 30, 2024	Audit for the Town and all boards is underway. Report to Council by end of June.
Conservation and Demand Management Plan		June 30, 2024	Working with consultant to have the updated plan completed in time for July 1 deadline. Costs were approved in 2024 budget.
Dufferin County Governance Review			CAO participated in interview with consultant, per the request of Dufferin County. Questions related to service provision and municipal roles and duties were discussed.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications to this report.

Consultations

None.

Attachments

There are no attachments.

This report was approved by

Meghan Townsend

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Treasurer

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GRAND VALLEY

REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor Soloman and Members of Council
From: Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Meeting Date: April 9, 2024
Subject: Application to the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund

Purpose

To present a recommendation on applying for the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund for the construction of the Town's new Elevated Water Storage Tank.

Background

As described in their Guidelines, the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (HEWSF) is an application-based program. Projects funded through the program will aim to protect communities by investing in the repair, rehabilitation and expansion of core water, wastewater, and stormwater projects to promote growth and enable housing.

Eligible projects under this intake should meet the following project outcomes:

- Enable growth and housing opportunities.
- Increase access to potable water; and
- Increase treatment and/or management of wastewater and stormwater.

This funding intake is a competitive process. Funding approval is not guaranteed.

Eligible applicants include all municipalities that own water, waste and stormwater infrastructure.

Provision of the HEWSF is governed by the Government of Ontario. Transfer Payment Agreements (TPAs) will set out the terms and conditions under which the Ministry agrees to provide funds to applicants, and will provide additional details on payment schedules, milestones, reporting, and audit requirements. The Province will fund a maximum of 73% (up to \$35 million) with the municipality required to fund all remaining eligible project costs (27%). TPAs will only be entered into with primary applicants whose projects are approved by the provincial government.

Projects must comply with the following:

- A project must include a capital component and may also include pre-construction planning and design work.
- A project should enable housing development.
- A project can be any of the following project types: Rehabilitation/Repair; Reconstruction; or Expansion.
- Projects must have a clear start and end point.
- Projects can be stand-alone or a component of a larger project.
- Projects must be in the process of or completed the design and planning phase.
- Projects must meet all relevant provincial regulatory requirements.
- The application must include a clearly defined scope of work in order to enable a comprehensive assessment of the project (financial, technical, risk, etc.). For example, an application must clearly identify how it enables housing development, define how it could address existing health and safety issues and/or risks and the construction activities that will be undertaken to address the issue.

The Town has several projects included in its various growth plans, several of which are water, wastewater and storm water related. To apply for the Fund, the Town should select which project best meets the eligibility criteria set out in the application.

Discussion

The Town requires the following projects to accommodate growth within our water-related infrastructure:

- Elevated Water Storage Tank
- Expansion of sewage lines from Bielby Street to the Emma Street Pumping Station
- The South-East Sewage Pumping Station
- Expansion of the Emma Street Pumping Station

Upon review of the upcoming projects that the Town has planned, the only project that seems to meet all criteria would be the new Elevated Water Storage Tank (“Water Tower”) required to accommodate growth. While we are in the early stage of design and planning, we can present a strong case for the project for the number of new houses the tower will enable once completed and show how the Fund can help us fast track the project, such as:

- It is a capital project with required pre-construction planning needed, and some of the planning background work has been completed and other elements have started.

- It is only needed by the Town in order to enable housing development. If the Town was not growing, this tower would not be in the plans as the current tower is meeting the existing urban area's needs.
- It is an Expansion to the Town's drinking water system.
- The project has start and end points that we are able to articulate based on a review of the project requirements (exact end point, originally proposed for 2031, will be reviewed as part of preparation for the application).
- It is a stand-alone project, not dependent on other projects that could result in project delays if those projects are delayed.
- There will be considerable effort put into the design and construction to ensure that its construction and operation are fully compliant with all relevant provincial regulatory requirements.
- The scope of work will be the design and construction of the new tower, and therefore we can conduct a risk analysis that will answer the questions posed in the application.
- The South-East Sewage Pumping Station project is the only other project that could meet the application criteria; however, it is fully funded already and we are hoping that it can start construction before the HEWSF start date of September 30, 2024.

The Application does not require Council approval; however, the requirements may change as the applications are reviewed, and it is best practice to have approvals in place for any application, regardless of what the approving agency requires.

Financial Impact

A 2019 cost estimate for the new Elevated Water Storage (water tower) stated a price of \$3,600,000. Costs for these projects are significantly more than they were pre-COVID.

The Town was going to use Development Charges to fund this project. If the grant is approved, the cost of the Tower applicable to DCs will be reduced by the amount funded, and costs for the project that would otherwise be factored into the selling price of a new house will reduce.

Recommendation

THAT Council receives Report – Application to the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund,

AND THAT Council approves an application for the Housing-Enabling Water System Fund for the Town's new Elevated Water Storage Tank as proposed.

Respectfully submitted by,

Meghan Townsend

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer



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REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor Soloman and Members of Council

From: Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Meeting Date: April 9, 2024

Subject: Director of Finance/Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley

We are pleased to announce that Steven Freitas was the successful candidate for the newly-created role of Director of Finance/Treasurer. Steve has over 25 years experience in municipal finance, working for the City of Mississauga in progressive financial roles. He brings significant education as well, holding a Bachelor of Applied Business Administration and several diplomas, and he is a Certified General Accountant and Certified Professional Accountant.

Once Steve is appointed as Treasurer under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Meghan's title shall change to CAO/Clerk, and a recommendation will be made for Council to appoint Meghan as Deputy Treasurer to be able to perform the duties of the Treasurer in Steve's absence.

The Accounting/Administration Clerk will report directly to Steve, and Steve will be an integral part of all Town activities going forward.

Please join us in welcoming Steve!

Respectfully submitted by,

Meghan Townsend
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer



GRAND VALLEY

REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor Soloman and Members of Council

From: Matt Bos, Director of Public Works

Meeting Date: April 9, 2024

Subject: Public Works Update

Purpose

To present to council the Public Works update.

Background

Current requirement of the Director of Public Works.

Discussion

Here are bullet points of Public Works activities in the past month.

- Continuous equipment and facility maintenance.
- Slowly starting to switch over to spring operations as weather allows. P.W. is currently awaiting the last of the winter weather scheduled to hit our area the evening on Apr.3rd. Once that weather has run its course it is the intention to switch to full spring operations.
- New flooring is currently being installed in the lunchroom at the Town shop by inhouse staff. The flooring is a commercial grade linoleum which is replacing home grade laminate flooring that was cladding the floor before but had damages due to water.
- Bridge 8 on Conc. 8/9 was damaged by a farm equipment company that was transporting a piece of equipment out of the Town for a buyer in southwestern Ontario. The Director of P.W. has been in talks with all parties involved and is also working with a contractor to repair the damage. So far, the equipment company has been very responsive and is willing to cover the costs of the repair.
- Titan Tree Service has wrapped up their intown roadside tree trimming for now. We still have three or four days of trimming to do at some point, whether it happens this fall or next year.

- P.W. installed bird netting on Bridge 10 before the Apr. 1st deadline for the nesting season. This was completed to accommodate a timely start on the bridge construction planned for this summer.
- Three staff from P.W. are attending C.P.R. and First Aid training Apr. 4th.
- Four P.W. staff are registered for O.G.R.A. Road School at the end of April.
- No change to plans for street sweeping, line painting, maintenance gravel, dust control, per previous reports.

Financial Impact

None

Recommendation

That Council receives the Report – Public Works Update for information purposes.

Respectfully submitted by,

Matt Bos
Director of Public Works



GRAND VALLEY

The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley Report to Council

Date: April 9, 2024
To: Mayor Soloman & Council
From: Mark H. Kluge, MCIP RPP, Town Planner
Report No.: PLN07-2024
Subject: **Planning Update**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receives Report PLN07-2023, dated April 9, 2024.

PURPOSE:

To provide an information update to Council on the activities within Planning.

NEW APPLICATIONS: none

CURRENT FILE STATUS:

Condominium

- CDM01-2022 Hamilton Lane – **Clearing Conditions, prior to registration**

Consent

- B02-2023 14 Webb Street (Roll #308900) – **Clearing Conditions**

Official Plan

- OPA01-2023 40, 50, 60 Emma Street – 8-unit infill Street Townhome development – **Processing**

Part Lot Control

- No active files

Site Plan

- SPA01-2022 - 10 Watson Road Roll #106585 – **No update**

- SPA01-2018 ORICA – **2021 and 2022 Peer Review of Annual Monitoring Report completed, 2023 Annual Monitoring Report received, future Council Report 2Q-2024**
- SPA03-2018 Golden Homes on Emma Street – **No update.**
NOTE: Site Plan Approval granted Jun 8/21 – Servicing Allocation Expires Jun 08/24 update at May 28/24 Council, Applicant has been advised of timeline (Mar 28/24)

Subdivision

- **22T-202301** River's Edge by Thomasfield – Processing
UNIT COUNT: 175 single, 14 semi, 78 townes, 63 apartments
Meeting held on April 4/24 with Applicant
- **22T-202201** Grand Valley Business Park (Thomasfield) – Clearing Draft Plan Conditions
Draft Plan Approved: September 27, 2022 – **Expires: Sep 27, 2025**
- **22T-202101** 152 Main Street INFILL – 5 to 25 Rainey Drive, Registered Plan 7M-83
UNIT COUNT: 12 on-street townhomes
Building Permit for 5 Rainey Drive received
Holding Removal (H) lifted Nov 14/23 and Part Lot Control By-law passed Nov 28/23
- **22T-201801** Scott Street INFILL – Clearing Draft Plan Conditions
UNIT COUNT: 3 on-street singles, 8 condo singles and 13 condo townes
Draft Plan Approved: Oct 13, 2020 – **Expires: Oct 13, 2026**
- **22T-201601** Cor Seed Subdivision – Clearing Draft Plan Conditions
UNIT COUNT: 73 singles, 25 on-street townes, 1 mixed used block, 1 commercial block
Draft Plan Approved: May 25, 2021 – **Expires: May 25, 2027**
- **22T-201502** MOCO Farms Subdivision – Clearing Draft Plan Conditions
UNIT COUNT: 96 singles, 68 on-street townes, 18 Live-Work units, 1 commercial block
Draft Plan Approved: November 21, 2017 – **Expires: Sep 22, 2025**
- **22T-201501** Thomasfield Phase 3B – Registration of Subdivision Agreement completed
UNIT COUNT: 159 singles, 57 townhomes
Phase 3B-1 70 singles – under construction **Registered 7M-85**
Phase 3B-2 49 singles, 57 townhomes
Phase 3B-3 40 singles
- **22T-201501** **Thomasfield Phase 3A-1** (Plan 7M-76) - **constructed**
UNIT COUNT: 41 singles, 17 Townes
- **22T-201501** **Thomasfield Phase 3A-2** (Plan 7M-78) – **constructed (1 vacant lot)**
UNIT COUNT: 56 Singles
- Monticello Hill Town Drive Subdivision
UNIT COUNT: 21 Singles on private services
Next steps:

- Town initiated Zoning By-law and Subdivision File - Summer 2024
- Local Improvements Charges By-law - Autumn 2024

Zoning

- Z01-2024 – Urban Chickens – **ON AGENDA**
- Z07-2023 – River’s Edge by Thomasfield – **Processing**
- Z05-2023 - 40, 50, 60 Emma Street – 8 unit infill Townhome development – **Processing**

Municipal Approvals issued

- MA13-2024 New URBAN Single Detached Dwelling
- MA14-2024 Deck
- MA15-2024 New URBAN Single Detached Dwelling
- MA16-2024 New URBAN Single Detached Dwelling
- MA17-2024 New URBAN Single Detached Dwelling

PROVINCIAL UPDATE:

- Nothing to report

OTHER MATTERS:

2023 Official Plan and Zoning Update Project

- DRAFT Background Report received Apr 2/24, under review.

2023 Planning Fee Study

- Work on-going with Consultant

DUFFERIN COUNTY:

Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) Process:

- OPA Number 4 passed by Dufferin County on Mar 14/24 BL-2024-14
- OPA Number 4 sent to the MMAH for comment on Mar 28/24

Planners of Dufferin (POD) –

- No meeting on Mar 21, 2024, next meeting is Apr 11, 2024

GRCA:

- Nothing to report

Sarah Properties Amaranth:

- Subdivision (Rail Trail) – nothing to report

Respectfully submitted,
Mark H Kluge

Town Planner



GRAND VALLEY

The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley Report to Council

Date: April 9, 2024
To: Mayor Soloman & Members of Council
From: Mark H. Kluge, MCIP RPP, Planner
Brad Haines, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer
Subject: PUBLIC MEETING & RECOMMENDATION REPORT
Report No.: PLN08-2024
File: Z01-2024 (Zoning – URBAN CHICKENS)
Attachment(s): Appendix 1: Draft Zoning By-law

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive Report No. PLN08-2024 Public Meeting and Recommendation Report – Zoning By-Law Amendment Application Z01-2024 Urban Chickens

AND FURTHER THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z01-2024, to amend the Town of Grand Valley Zoning By-law 2009-10, as amended, to prohibit the keeping of Urban Chickens, as generally shown in **APPENDIX 1: DRAFT ZONING BY- LAW**, of this report, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to prepare and present the by-law for passing.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to present a recommended amendment to the Town's Zoning By-law regarding Urban Chickens.

BACKGROUND:

On December 12, 2023, Planning and By-law Enforcement presented [Report PLN48-2023 – Backyard Chickens](#) to Council. At the meeting Council passed [Resolution 2023-](#)

[12-09](#) approving the prohibition of “Backyard Chickens” and directing staff to commence a Town initiated Zoning By-law Application to prohibit “Backyard Chickens” in various urban zones in the Town.

GRAND VALLEY ZONING BY-LAW 2009-10

Currently the Town’s Zoning By-law only permits “*Agricultural Livestock Operation*” in the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) zones. An “*Agricultural Livestock Operation*” is defined as:

Any agricultural use or uses, structures or buildings accessory thereto, including animal husbandry, manure storage facilities and any other use customarily carried on in the field of general agriculture, including the sale on the premises, of produce grown or raised on the premises. Agricultural operation may include a single-detached dwelling and such principal or main buildings and structures as a barn or silo as well as accessory buildings and structures which are incidental to the operation of the agricultural use. An agricultural livestock operation may include an agricultural crop operation.

The keeping of chickens is considered an agricultural use and therefore not permitted in the urban areas of the Town.

However, to ensure clarity on this issue the Zoning By-law needs to be updated to expressly prohibit the keeping of chickens in the Urban Area of Grand Valley, in addition to two specific rural zones, Hamlet Residential (HR) and Estate Residential (ER).

The Draft Zoning By-law is listed in **APPENDIX 1: DRAFT ZONING BY-LAW** of this report.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION & AGENCY COMMENT

Public Consultation

Notice of the Public Meeting was provided pursuant to the *Planning Act* on March 14, 2024. Notice was published in the Wellington Advertiser and Orangeville Citizen and was also placed on the Town’s website, social media platforms and civic bulletin boards.

As of the date of this report, Planning has not received any written comments or objections regarding this application from the public.

Town & Agency Consultation

The application was circulated for comment and review on March 14, 2024. As of the date of this report, Staff have not received any objections regarding this application from external boards or Town departments.

ANALYSIS

To provide clarity to the Public on this issue, a new section in the existing Zoning By-law has been proposed outlining where chickens (and additional birds) can and cannot be kept in the Town.

Staff have used the Latin wording (Galliform and Columbiform) to describe the birds. Galliform birds which are fowl or chicken-like refer to but is not limited to turkeys, chickens, quail, partridge, pheasant, peacock, guinea fowl, and grouse. Columbiform birds include pigeons, doves, dodoes, and solitaires.

Staff will continue to monitor the situation this year and report back to Council if the proposed amendment is unclear to the Public and revisions are required.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark H Kluge

Mark H. Kluge, MCIP RPP
Town Planner

Brad Haines

Brad Haines,
By-law & Property Standards
Enforcement Officer

APPENDIX 1: DRAFT ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GRAND VALLEY

BY-LAW NUMBER 2024 - _____

Being a By-Law to Amend By-law 09-10, as amended, known as the Zoning By-law for the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley, to amend the By-law to deal with a Housekeeping Item – URBAN CHICKENS.

WHEREAS Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, as amended, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact Zoning By-laws;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley enacts as follows;

1. The current **Section 3.27 Illustrations** of By-law 2009-10, as amended, is hereby renumbered to **Section 3.28 Illustrations**;
2. A new Section 3.27 is added as follows;

3.27 Urban Chickens

The keeping of galliform and columbiform birds including but not limited to turkeys, chickens, quail, partridge, pheasant, peacock, guinea fowl, grouse, pigeons, doves, dodos, and solitaires is **only** permitted in the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) zones as a permitted *Agricultural Livestock Operation* and **not** permitted in any of the following zones:

- Downtown Commercial (CD)
- Village Residential (RV)
- Multiple Residential (RM)
- Institutional (IN)
- Open Space (OS) (*Urban Area only*)
- Environmental Protection (EP)
- Hamlet Residential (HR)
- Estate Residential (ER)

3. In all other respects, the provisions of this By-law shall apply.

BY-LAW GIVEN THE NECESSARY READINGS AND PASSED THIS 9th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

STEVE SOLOMAN, MAYOR

MEGHAN TOWNSEND, CLERK



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March 8, 2024

Resolution of Support
Re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review

At the regular Council Meeting held on February 13, 2024 the following resolution was passed:

MOVED BY BANFIELD, SECONDED BY HALLS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council do hereby support County of Dufferin Resolution #13 regarding the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) call to the Premier to agree to an update of the provincial-municipal partnership by conducting a social and economic prosperity review.

CARRIED

Sincerely,

Shannon Peart
Administrative Assistant/ Clerk's Department
Corporation of the Township of East Garafraxa

Enclosure: Dufferin County Resolution dated January 16, 2024

cc: Honourable Syliva Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon
Premier Ford
Dufferin County and Local Municipalities



January 16, 2024

Honourable Syliva Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon
108 Broadway
3rd Floor, Suite A
Orangeville ON L9W 1K3

Sent electronically

Dear Honourable Jones

In October 2023, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) called on the Premier to agree to an update of the provincial-municipal partnership by conducting a social and economic prosperity review: a joint review of revenues, costs and financial risks and a detailed analysis of Ontario's infrastructure investment and service delivery needs.

As you know, Ontario's municipal governments provide critical services that residents rely on most every day. The ability to provide these services depends on a fiscal framework that enables municipalities to balance revenues and expenditures responsibly and fairly, reflecting local circumstances and priorities.

Municipalities across Ontario are also facing increasingly complex challenges, such as tackling homelessness and climate change, without the financial tools to solve them. In 2022, municipal expenditures outpaced provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion in areas of provincial responsibility including social housing, long-term care, land ambulance, social services, and childcare.

This current arrangement makes it impossible for municipalities to invest in the infrastructure needed to support housing and economic growth, or to prepare for the impacts of climate change. Property taxpayers, including small business owners and seniors on fixed incomes, can't afford to pay for the province's affordability and homelessness crisis.

Taxpayers expect governments to work together to solve problems.





We urge you to engage with your colleagues in the legislature to urge the Government of Ontario to conduct this critical review.

Thank you,

Michelle Dunne

Michelle Dunne
Clerk

CC Premier Ford
Dufferin Municipalities

Attachment: Dufferin County Council Resolution #13



13. Moved by Councillor Post, seconded by Councillor Mills

WHEREAS current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario’s economic prosperity and quality of life;

WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year;

WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation;

WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure;

WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises;

WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity;

WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can’t afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need;

WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;

WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;

AND THAT a letter be sent to request advocacy in advance of the Provincial budget to the Premier, the Dufferin-Caledon MPP and local municipalities.

-Carried-

March 25, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

I hope this letter finds you well.

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Town of Orangeville to bring forth a matter of significant concern regarding the Canada Carbon Rebate (“CCR”) and its supplement. The intent behind the CCR supplement is to provide additional rebate to municipalities facing heightened carbon taxes due to their size or rurality, factors which lead to limited heating fuel options and inadequate commuter transit options thus contributing to our communities’ reliance on automobiles.

As outlined in the attached motion, which was carried unanimously at our Council Meeting on March 18th, 2024, the current eligibility criteria for the small/rural supplement of the CCR is not currently configured in a way that accurately identifies the communities that should be in receipt of this supplement, such as the Town of Orangeville. Unfortunately, the current eligibility is linked to whether or not the municipality is located within a Census Metropolitan Area (“CMA”), a classification that was not designed to determine eligibility for government rebates or supplements.

This arbitrary classification not only overlooks the unique challenges faced by residents of Orangeville and other communities of similar size and rurality, but it also contradicts the intended purpose of the CCR supplement which is to provide relief to those most affected by carbon taxation. It is evident across the country that the current eligibility system fails to accurately capture the realities of small and rural communities, leaving many Canadians without the support they urgently require, including the 31,000 residents in the Town of Orangeville. This exclusion amounts to approximately \$224 per year for a family of four (\$56 per quarter).

Therefore, the Town of Orangeville, in alignment with the sentiments expressed in the attached motion, respectfully urges the Government of Canada to reconsider the eligibility criteria for CCR supplements quickly as the supplement is scheduled to increase to 20% in the coming weeks. Specifically, we advocate for the inclusion of all small and rural communities, regardless of classification within a CMA. This revision is crucial to ensure that much-needed financial assistance gets into the hands of the families and individuals that are most impacted.

Prime Minister Trudeau, we implore you to lend your support to this resolution and to work towards implementing a meaningful change in the distribution of CCR supplements. By addressing the shortcomings of the current system, we can uphold the principles of fairness and inclusion that are fundamental to Canada and all of our social programs.

Thank you in advance for your quick attention to this matter. We eagerly anticipate your leadership and commitment to addressing the concerns raised by the Town of Orangeville and other communities across the country.

Sincerely,



Mayor

cc: Kyle Seeback, MP for Dufferin-Caledon
Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon
All Members of Parliament
All Municipalities within Dufferin County
The Federation of Canadian Municipalities
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Corporate Services

2024-066

Moved: Mayor Post

Seconded: Councillor Prendergast

WHEREAS the Government of Canada offers a quarterly basic Canada Carbon Rebate (CCR) of \$140 plus additional amounts for spouses, common-law partners and children;

AND WHEREAS a 'rural supplement' of 10% of the basic CCR (soon to be 20%) is available to individuals and families provided they qualify;

AND WHEREAS eligibility for the rural supplement for residents of 'small and rural communities' is arbitrarily and based on whether one lives inside or outside a Census Metropolitan Area (CMA);

AND WHEREAS the Town of Orangeville, a small community arbitrarily falls within the Toronto CMA and therefore making its residents ineligible for the small and rural supplement;

AND WHEREAS CMAs were designed for purposes other than determining eligibility for government rebates;

AND WHEREAS residents of Orangeville and other small communities face such things as significant carbon tax charges for commuting long distances for employment due to a lack of viable commuter transit options and competitively priced heating fuel options;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Orangeville asks the Government of Canada to change eligibility criteria for CCR supplements to include small and rural communities such as Orangeville, Mono and other municipalities regardless of whether they fall within the Toronto CMA.

Result: Carried



TOWN OF SHELburne

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

No. 08

Date: 3/25/24

Moved: Councillor Benotto

Seconded by: Councillor Wegener

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Shelburne encourages all levels of government to eradicate all forms of racism especially Islamophobia and antisemitism, and that this motion be sent to our MP and MPP and all municipalities.

CARRIED, W. Mills

Requested Vote to be Recorded Yes No

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Mills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deputy Mayor Hall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Benotto	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Fegan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Guchardi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Sample	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Wegener	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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March 25, 2024

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Attention: Brigitte Sobush, Manager of Clerk's Services/Deputy City Clerk

Dear Ms. Sobush:

At the meeting of Council held on March 21, 2024, the following motion was introduced and passed:

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Plowright

Be it resolved that: "Council support the motion from the City of Greater Sudbury regarding the Amendment to the Occupational Health and Safety Act to Clarify the Definition of Employer, in its entirety." **Carried.**

Yours truly,

Denise B. Holmes, AMCT
CAO/Clerk

- c. Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon
All Municipalities in Dufferin County

Grand Valley Public Library Board
Minutes: Wednesday February 14, 2024

Present:

Julie Van Alstine, Vice-chair
Amy Steele
Brennan Solecky
Mary Hatch
James Jonker, Town of Grand Valley Rep.
Lenora Banfield, Township of East Garafraxa Rep.
Joanne Stevenson, CEO, secretary/treasurer

Regrets:

Andrew Stirk, Chair, Township of Amaranth Rep.

1. Call to Order. CEO 7:02pm

2. Acknowledgement Statement

We [I] would like to acknowledge that we are on the the Haldimand Tract, land promised to the Haudenosaunee (**HOE day na shun ay**) people of Six Nations, which includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. This territory is the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg (**On ish KNOB eck**), and Haudenosaunee (**HOE day na shun ay**) Peoples.

3. Approval of the agenda

MOTION #1: Moved by A. Steele, seconded by J. Jonker, that the agenda be approved as amended.

4. Declaration of any conflicts of interest.

None.

5. Minutes of the January 10, 2024 meeting.

MOTION #2: Moved by A. Steele, seconded by B. Solecky, that the agenda be approved as amended.

6. Business arising from the minutes.

6.1 GIC, Renewed GIC with February 2024 maturity date, for one year @5.05%,

The surplus monies from 2023 have not been transferred over to the reserve account to invest the \$20,000 into a new GIC. The GIC with a March 2024 maturity date will be reinvested at the best interest rate.

7. Correspondence

7.1 FOPL update, email, January 24th

MOTION #3: Moved by L. Banfield, seconded by J. Jonker to receive the correspondence.

8. Financial Report

Operating Account

8.1 Operating Expenses for December

MOTION #4: Moved by A. Steele, seconded by B. Solecky to accept the reviewed expenses for January (\$31268.50).

Reserve Account

8.2 Reserve Account

MOTION #5: Moved by M. Hatch, seconded by A. Steele to accept the reviewed financial statement for the reserve account.

9. Committee Reports

Building Committee meeting was held virtually on, Thursday January 18 at 6:00pm. Committee members are to tour new libraries with the CEO, if possible to compile research information for a report to present to the board and councils.

10. Chair Report

11. CEO Report

- March Break Programs have been booked with 2 shows for Birds of Prey, Fireside Munsch, Bumbling Bert and a Friday Public Skate. Arena has been booked and confirmed.
- CEO attended the OLA conference. Topics of sessions, Advocacy, Dyslexia, collection cataloguing & development, new databases available, facilitating meetings, staff onboarding, ARUPLO guidelines, AMPLO meeting, keynote speakers and the OLA Board Bootcamp

- Attended a virtual meeting with MPP Sylvia Jones, D. Fraser(Orangeville Public Library), C. Lipp(Caledon Public Library), R. Dotten(Shelburne Public Library) to advocate the importance of an Ontario Digital Library.
- CEO will be completing the Annual Public Library Survey.

12. New Business

12.1 MOTION #6: Moved by J. Jonker, seconded by M. Hatch, be it resolved that: Grand Valley Public Library Board proceed in closed session in order to address a matter pertaining to:

Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Board Members of Library Personnel at approximately 7:28pm.

MOTION #7: Moved by L. Banfield, seconded by A. Steele, be it resolved that: Grand Valley Public Library Board rise and report at 7:42pm

The CEO will proceed as directed in the closed session.

12.3 OLA Report – A. Steele & B. Solecky attended the OLA Board Bootcamp Ideas for future projects:

Advocacy with Municipalities: short videos for updates

Junior Library Board

Friends of the Library(Advocacy Group)

Board meeting efficiency – written reports from CEO and committees; prepared for meetings with all materials read ahead of the board meeting

12.3 Circulation Policy

12.4 Internet Access Use and Guidelines policy

MOTION #8: Moved by B. Solecky, seconded by J. Jonker to accept the reviewed/ revised policies.

12.5 2023 Annual Report Review. Board will review and approval is deferred to March

13. Next Meeting

Wednesday March 20, 2024 7:00pm McGinnis Room

14. Motion to adjourn

MOTION #9: Moved by A. Steele to adjourn at 8:24pm CARRIED

The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley

By-law 2024-_____

Emergency Management Appointments By-law

A By-law to appoint an Emergency Management Program Committee, a Municipal Emergency Control Group, and an Emergency Information Officer, per the Requirements of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* and to Repeal By-law 2018-63

WHEREAS under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.9 and Ontario Regulation 380/04, every municipality in the Province of Ontario is required to:

- Establish an emergency management program committee;
- Establish a municipal emergency control group; and,
- Designate an employee of the municipality as its emergency information officer;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley hereby enacts as follows:

Emergency Management Program Committee

1. The persons from time to time holding the following positions in the municipality, or their designates, shall serve as members of the Town of Grand Valley Emergency Management Program Committee:
 - a. Emergency Management Program Co-ordinator, referred to by the Town as the Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC)
 - b. Chief Administrative Officer
 - c. Other Delegated Alternate CEMCs
 - d. Director Public Works
 - e. Fire Chief
2. The CEMC is hereby appointed as chair of the Emergency Management Program Committee.
3. The Emergency Management Program Committee shall meet at least annually and shall advise Council on the development and implementation of the municipality's Emergency Management Program and shall review the program annually.

Municipal Emergency Control Group

- 4. The persons from time to time holding the following positions in the municipality, or their designates, shall be members of the Town of Grand Valley Municipal Emergency Control Group:
 - a. Chief Administrative Officer
 - b. Deputy Clerk
 - c. Director of Finance/Treasurer
 - d. By-Law and Property Standards Enforcement Officer

Emergency Information Officer

- 5. The Deputy Clerk is hereby appointed as the Emergency Information Officer for the municipality to act as the primary media and public contact for the municipality in an emergency.

Repeal and Effect

- 6. By-Law Number 2018-63, is hereby repealed in its entirety.
- 7. This by-law comes into effect upon the passing thereof.

By-law read a first and second and third time and passed this 9th of April, 2024.

Steve Soloman, Mayor

Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GRAND VALLEY

BY-LAW NUMBER 2024 - _____

Being a By-Law to Amend By-law 09-10, as amended, known as the Zoning By-law for the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley, to amend the By-law to deal with a Housekeeping Item – URBAN CHICKENS.

WHEREAS Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, as amended, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact Zoning By-laws;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley enacts as follows;

1. The current **Section 3.27 Illustrations** of By-law 2009-10, as amended, is hereby renumbered to **Section 3.28 Illustrations**;
2. A new Section 3.27 is added as follows;

3.27 Urban Chickens

The keeping of galliform and columbiform birds including but not limited to turkeys, chickens, quail, partridge, pheasant, peacock, guinea fowl, grouse, pigeons, doves, dodos, and solitaires is **only** permitted in the Agricultural (A) and Rural Residential (RR) zones as a permitted *Agricultural Livestock Operation* and **not** permitted in any of the following zones:

- Downtown Commercial (CD)
- Village Residential (RV)
- Multiple Residential (RM)
- Institutional (IN)
- Open Space (OS) (*Urban Area only*)
- Environmental Protection (EP)
- Hamlet Residential (HR)
- Estate Residential (ER)

3. In all other respects, the provisions of this By-law shall apply.

BY-LAW GIVEN THE NECESSARY READINGS AND PASSED THIS 9th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

STEVE SOLOMAN, MAYOR

MEGHAN TOWNSEND, CLERK

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GRAND VALLEY
BY-LAW 2024-XX

Being a by-law to appoint a Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, Ch. 25 allows for the appointment of officers of the municipality,

AND WHEREAS section 286 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 requires that a municipality appoint a Treasurer to perform duties as prescribed,

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley deems it necessary and expedient to appoint a Treasurer for the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley enacts as follows:

1. THAT Council for the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley appoints Steven Freitas as Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley, effective April 9, 2024.
2. THAT all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
3. THAT by-law 2020-25 is hereby repealed.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 9th day of April 2024.

Steve Soloman, Mayor

Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GRAND VALLEY
BY-LAW 2024-XX

Being a by-law to appoint a Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Deputy Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley and repeal By-law 2020-25

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, Ch. 25 allows for the appointment of officers of the municipality,

AND WHEREAS section 286 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 requires that a municipality appoint a Treasurer to perform duties as prescribed,

AND WHEREAS Council has appointed a Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley;

AND WHEREAS section 228 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 requires that a municipality appoint a Clerk to perform duties as prescribed,

AND WHEREAS section 229 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 permits a municipality to appoint a Chief Administrative Officer to perform various responsibilities,

AND WHEREAS The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley deems it necessary and expedient to appoint a Deputy Treasurer for the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley,

AND WHEREAS Meghan Townsend was appointed as Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley enacts as follows:

1. THAT Council for the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley appoints Meghan Townsend as Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk-Deputy Treasurer for the Town of Grand Valley, effective April 9, 2024.
2. THAT all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
3. THAT By-law 2020-25 is hereby repealed.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 9th day of April 2024.

Steve Soloman, Mayor

Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley

By-law 2024-XX

Confirm Proceedings By-law

A By-law to confirm the Proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley at its Meeting held on April 9, 2024

WHEREAS pursuant to section 5 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, the powers to a municipality are to be exercised by its council by by-law;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley enacts as follows:

1. All the actions of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley at its meeting held on April 9, 2024 in respect to every report, motion, by-law, or other action passed and taken by the Council, including the exercise of natural person powers, are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if each report, motion, resolution or other action was adopted, ratified and confirmed by its separate by-law.
2. The Mayor of the Council and the proper officers of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action, to obtain approvals where required and except where otherwise provided, to execute all documents necessary in that behalf.
3. This By-law comes into full force and effect on the date it is enacted.

Enacted this 9th day of April 2024.

Steve Soloman, Mayor

Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer