



COUNCIL INFORMATION

The governing body of the Town of Grand Valley is Council. It consists of a Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and three Councillors. Ratepayers elect the Members of Council for a four-year term of office commencing November 15, 2026, to November 14, 2030. Having both legislative and executive responsibilities, Council deals with matters that require policy direction, bylaws and responses to pertinent issues.

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Council meetings are held on the second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Tuesday of the month except in the months of July, August and December, Meetings commencing at 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, and at 10:00 a.m. on the fourth (4th) Tuesday of the month, or as otherwise agreed upon by Council.

Council meetings are open meetings, which members of the public are welcome to attend. Certain portions of some meetings may be closed to the public for discussions regarding matters outlined in section 239 of the Municipal Act, but all other matters are discussed in open council.

All Council, Committee and Board meetings, agendas and minutes are posted on the Townswebsite at www.townofgrandvalley.ca.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

Members of Council may also be appointed to sit as a representative of the Town to the following regulatory boards and committees:

Regulatory Boards

- Dufferin County Council: Mayor and Deputy Mayor sit by virtue of their Office
- Orangeville Hydro Board - Mayor by virtue of their office
- Grand Valley & District Fire Board: Two (2) Members of Council
- Southwest Dufferin OPP Detachment Board: One (1) Member of Council
- Grand Valley and District Community Centre Board: Two (2) Members of Council
- Grand Valley Business Improvement Area Board of Management : One (1) Member of Council
- Grand Valley Library Board: One (1) Member of Council
- Grand Valley Door Youth Centre Community Engagement Team: One (1) Member of Council

Committees

Grand Valley Economic Development Advisory Committee: One (1) Member of Council

Advisory Committees are created at Council's discretion and sit for the term of Council. The mandate and number of members appointed will be determined by Council within each Committee's Terms of Reference.

DUTIES AND ROLE OF COUNCIL:

The duties and role of members of council are outlined in the Municipal Act, Code of Conduct and in the Township's Procedural By-law. Council members are elected by residents every four years. As per the Municipal Act, it is the role of Council to:

- a. to represent the public and to consider the well-being and interests of the municipality;
- b. to develop and evaluate the policies and programs of the municipality;
- c. to determine which services the municipality provides;
- d. to ensure that administrative policies, practices and procedures and controllership policies, practices and procedures are in place to implement the decisions of council;
- (d.1) to ensure the accountability and transparency of the operations of the municipality, including the activities of the senior management of the municipality;
- e. to maintain the financial integrity of the municipality; and
- f. to carry out the duties of council under this or any other Act.

THE ROLE OF STAFF:

As per the Municipal Act, it is the role of staff:

- a. to implement council's decisions and establish administrative practices and procedures to carry out council's decisions;
- b. to undertake research and provide advice to council on the policies and programs of the municipality; and
- c. to carry out other duties required under this or any Act and other duties assigned by the municipality.

As a result, staff provide advice on policy, including options and recommended actions, identifying the costs and benefits for the community in both human and financial terms.