



GRAND VALLEY

Town of Grand Valley Operating Budget 2025

Police Services

Budget Discussion

- The South West Police Services Board has asked that each municipality rotate responsibility for the Board's operations and financing. For 2024-2025, the Town will be providing funding for the insurance policy and staff resources to operate the board. Insurance was paid at the end of 2024 and will not be paid again by the Town for 3 years. Funding in budget is for staff time.
- OPP Contract
 - o Original contract costs sent to all contracted municipalities greatly exceeded expectations. As a result of an appeal for help, the Province has applied a discount to the 2023 expenses and the 2025 estimated costs, resulting in a one-year decrease in the contract costs. Letter and revised statement follows this discussion.
 - o The Town budgeted \$524,676 in 2024. In 2025, the original Billing Statement asked for \$642,598. The revised Billing Statement with discounts applied now will bill the Town for \$551,330 – a temporary "savings" of \$91,268.
 - o It is anticipated that the 2026 contract costs will return to at or above the original Billing Statement value sent for 2025.
 - o In the budget, the actual revised amount has been included.
 - o Some municipalities are including some or all of the savings in their budget to save up for future years. Given the funding pressures on the Town otherwise, a reserve contribution has not been included in this budget.