

STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor Soloman and Members of Council

From: Steven Freitas, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Meeting Date: March 25, 2025

Report Number: 2025-054

Subject: Treasurer's Update

Recommendation

THAT Council receive the Report – Treasurer's Update for information purposes.

Executive Summary

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present Council with information on the financial activities of the Town of Grand Valley, and procurement information to Council in accordance with Section 23.3 of By-law 2022-14.

Key Findings

Included in the body of this report.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications to this report.

Report

Background

The accounts payable and receivable listings are provided monthly to Council. Additionally, a few other items of information have been included as updates.

Discussion

Accounts Receivables - Property Tax Arrears

The Town's property tax Accounts Receivables Arrears are regularly monitored. Under the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, if property taxes are two calendar years in arrears, the Town can register a Tax Arrears Certificate on title.

The following table summarizes the Town's property tax A/R as of March 14, 2025:

| | | | Total | Tax Arrears |
|--------------------|-------------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| | | Taxes | Certificates | |
| Age in Years | Taxes | Interest | + Interest | Registered |
| 3+ (<=2022) | \$19,471 | \$5,834 | \$25,305 | \$25,266 |
| 2 (2023) | \$114,624 | \$21,053 | \$135,677 | \$39,413 |
| 1 (2024) | \$561,442 | \$38,567 | \$600,009 | \$33,308 |
| Current (2025) | \$435,391 | \$8,011 | \$443,402 | \$6,357 |
| Totals | \$1,130,928 | \$73,465 | \$1,204,393 | \$104,345 |
| Totals (Feb 18/25) | \$1,525,233 | \$70,482 | \$1,595,715 | \$109,624 |
| Change | -\$394,305 | \$2,982 | -\$391,322 | -\$5,279 |

(Note: Amounts rounded to nearest \$1)

For comparative purposes, the following table summarizes the Town's property tax A/R (previously reported) as of February 18, 2025:

| | | | Total | Tax Arrears |
|--------------------|-------------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| | | Taxes | Certificates | |
| Age in Years | Taxes | Interest | + Interest | Registered |
| 3+ (<=2022) | \$19,499 | \$5,594 | \$25,092 | \$25,023 |
| 2 (2023) | \$134,152 | \$21,804 | \$155,956 | \$39,010 |
| 1 (2024) | \$648,204 | \$36,688 | \$684,892 | \$37,713 |
| Current (2025) | \$723,378 | \$6,397 | \$729,775 | \$7,878 |
| Totals | \$1,525,233 | \$70,482 | \$1,595,715 | \$109,624 |
| Totals (Jan 22/25) | \$941,989 | \$65,415 | \$1,007,404 | \$100,668 |
| Change | \$583,244 | \$5,067 | \$588,311 | \$8,956 |

(Note: Amounts rounded to nearest \$1)

(Note: New Totals include arrears from the February 11, 2025 installment)

The Town's property tax A/R as of March 14, 2025, have decreased from the previous report by approximately \$391k. This primarily reflects payments towards the February 11, 2025, installment (\$286k) which were outstanding as of February 18, 2025, while the remainder relates to payments towards 2024 (\$85k) and 2023 (\$20k) tax arrears.

The last column in the property tax arrears table above titled "Tax Arrears Certificates Registered" summarized the outstanding amounts per year for the following:

five (5) properties which have Tax Arrears Certificates registered on title for which no
partial payments are allowed. Under the Municipal Act, 2001, property owners will have
to pay the full "cancellation price" (which includes all arrears, interest, and legal fees) to
the Town for us to advise the Town's Law firm to register a Cancellation Certificate.

Since the previous report, the one (1) property which had a Tax Arrears Certificate registered on title and recently defaulted on the Extension Agreement has paid the "full cancellation price". We have instructed our lawyers to cancel the Tax Arrears Certificate registered on title.

Property Tax Arrears Notices

On March 10, 2025, a total of 462 property tax arrears notices were mailed to property owners with overdue tax amounts of \$5.00 or greater. Of these notices, 35 also included a letter indicating "Urgent Notice Immediate Action Required". As per Section 373(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, these properties became eligible for tax registration proceedings on January 1, 2025, as a result of unpaid property tax arrears that are two years and over. The letter advised that the Town intends to forward the tax file to the Municipal Solicitor to start the tax registration process on April 1, 2025. Property owners were advised that the charges for this legal process would be added to their account as well, and that these charges and be quite costly. Property owners were also advised that if the tax registration process begins, all taxes, penalties and associated costs must be paid in full within one year, or the property will be sold by public tender.

To prevent the tax registration process from beginning, the following options were outlined:

- 1) Payment in full of all outstanding property tax arrears were to be received in our office before March 31, 2025, or
- 2) Property owners must contact the Property Tax department no later than March 28, 2025, to set up a payment plan which will cover all outstanding tax arrears as well as the current property taxes, to be paid in full by the end of 2025.

Accounts Receivables - General

The Town's general Accounts Receivables are regularly monitored, and A/R recoveries that are over 90 days old are diligently investigated and followed up on. The following summarizes the Town's general A/R as of March 14, 2025:

| | DATE | TOTAL | | 30-60 | 60-90 | OVER 90 | |
|--------------------|--------|-----------|----------|----------|--------|----------|-------|
| Description | ISSUED | AMOUNT | CURRENT | DAYS | DAYS | DAYS | NOTES |
| Totals | | \$113,702 | \$43,101 | \$27,533 | \$131 | \$42,937 | |
| Totals (Feb 18/25) | | \$62,814 | \$11,769 | \$5,729 | \$703 | \$44,613 | |
| Change | | \$50,888 | \$31,331 | \$21,804 | -\$572 | -\$1,676 | |

| HIGHLIGHTS: | | | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------|----------|----------|----------|-------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| GRANT FROM | 2022-12-31 | \$40,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$40,000 | Grant for drainage. Province will |
| ONTARIO | | | | | | | pay when they get the funding. |
| GV COMM CTR | Jan/Feb 2025 | \$55,468 | \$34,505 | \$20,963 | \$0 | \$0 | Labour Recoveries PP1 to PP5 |
| OTHERS | | \$18,234 | \$8,595 | \$6,571 | \$131 | \$2,937 | Ongoing payments & monitoring |

(Note: Amounts rounded to nearest \$1)

Accounts Payable Payments

The following lists all Accounts Payable payments processed over \$15,000 in detail (by amount in descending order):

| | | Total # | Total Invoice |
|--|--|--------------|----------------|
| Invoice Listing | Month | Invoices | Amounts |
| (Note: Invoice amounts rounded to nearest \$1) | January 2025 | 149 | \$1,228,429 |
| | February 2025 | 204 | \$733,979 |
| Supplier Name | Invoice Description | Invoice Date | Invoice Amount |
| HugoMB CONTRACTING INC. | CERTIFICATE 5 - BRIDGE 10 REPLACEMENT | 2024-12-03 | \$458,558 |
| NADELEC CONTRACTING INC | PARKING LOTLIGHTS, BALL FIELDS | 2025-01-28 | \$284,760 |
| GV & DISTRICT FIRE BOARD | DC RECOVERY FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT GROWTH | 2025-01-14 | \$48,203 |
| MINISTER OF FINANCE | JANUARY 2025 POLICING SERVICES | 2025-01-15 | \$45,944 |
| ONTARIO CLEAN WATER AGENCY | JANUARY OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE | 2025-01-24 | \$33,242 |
| DUFFERIN WATER CO. LTD | DECEMBER 2024 MONTHLY MAINTENANCE FEE | 2025-01-06 | \$32,230 |
| OMERS | JANUARYOMERSREMITTANCE | 2025-01-21 | \$24,175 |
| GRAND VALLEY LIBRARY | JANUARY 2025 LEVY | 2025-01-20 | \$22,568 |
| RECEIVER GENERAL | PP2502 CPP EI INCOMETAX DEDUCTIONS | 2025-01-21 | \$21,895 |
| RECEIVER GENERAL | PP2501 CPP EI INCOMETAX REMITTANCE | 2025-01-10 | \$19,714 |
| GRAND VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE | JANUARY LEVY PAYMENT | 2025-01-02 | \$17,902 |
| SUNLIFE FINANCIAL | FEBRUARYBENEFITS | 2025-02-01 | \$16,329 |
| Sub-Total | | · | \$1,025,521 |
| Others | | | \$202,908 |
| Total January 2025 | | | \$1,228,429 |

| Supplier Name | Invoice Description | Invoice Date | Invoice Amount | |
|-------------------------------|---|--------------|----------------|--|
| HugoMB CONTRACTING INC. | CERTIFICATE 6 - BRIDGE 10 REPLACEMENT | 2025-02-25 | \$119,574 | |
| PREMIER TRUCK GROUP OF | NEWWSPLOWTRUCK | 2025-02-07 | \$53,181 | |
| MINISTER OF FINANCE | FEBRUARY POLICING SERVICES | 2025-02-15 | \$45,944 | |
| DALTON R LOWE & SONS CONST. | SUPPLIED, HAULED, MIXED AND STACKED WINTER SAND | 2025-02-03 | \$34,429 | |
| ONTARIO CLEAN WATER AGENCY | FEBRUARY OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE | 2025-02-01 | \$33,242 | |
| OMERS | FEBRUARY OMERS REMITTANCE | 2025-02-20 | \$24,857 | |
| GRAND VALLEY LIBRARY | FEBRUARY LEVY PAYMENT | 2025-02-12 | \$24,286 | |
| RON CRANE CUSTOM FARMING | SNOWPLOWING | 2025-02-24 | \$22,374 | |
| R. J. BURNSIDE & ASSOCIATES | GRAND VALLEY SOUTH EAST SPS - CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES | 2025-02-24 | \$22,032 | |
| RECEIVER GENERAL | PP2503 CPP EI INCOMETAX | 2025-02-06 | \$22,018 | |
| RECEIVER GENERAL | PP2504 CPP EI INCOMETAX | 2025-02-19 | \$21,536 | |
| GRAND VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE | FEBRUARY LEVY PAYMENT | 2025-02-01 | \$17,902 | |
| COX CONSTRUCTION LIMITED | HOLDBACK RELEASE | 2025-02-06 | \$15,272 | |
| Sub-Total Sub-Total | | | | |
| Others | | | | |
| Total February 2025 | | | \$733,979 | |

Revenue Receipts

The following outlines significant revenue receipts deposited to the Town's Operating Bank Account from February 1, 2025, to March 14, 2025:

| | February | March | |
|--|-------------|----------|-------------|
| Description | 2025 | 2025 | Total |
| Property Taxes | \$1,097,810 | \$19,977 | \$1,117,787 |
| OMAFA, OMPF, OCIF, Orv Hydro Water/Dividend Pmts | \$539,440 | | \$539,440 |
| GVWF Amenities Payment | | | \$0 |
| Gas Tax | \$61,998 | | \$61,998 |
| Other Revenue Receipts | \$68,528 | \$37,507 | \$106,035 |
| Total | \$1,767,776 | \$57,484 | \$1,825,259 |

(Note: Amounts rounded to nearest \$1)

Accounts Payable Listings

Attachment 1 – Accounts Payable Listing for the Town of Grand Valley for the period of January & February 2025.

Attachment 2 – Accounts Payable Listing for the Grand Valley and District Community Centre for the period of February 2025.

Procurement Update

Attachment 3 – Procurements for the period February 20 to March 21, 2025, is submitted to Council in accordance with section 23.3 of By-law 2022-14:

23.3. Information Report to Council

For information purposes, the Treasurer shall submit a monthly status report to Council on all contract awards, contract extensions and contract amendments, valued at \$25,000 or higher that were undertaken since the previous report.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact.

Consultations

Meghan Townsend, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk Helena Snider, Administration/Accounting Assistant

Attachments

Attachment 1 – Accounts Payable – Town of Grand Valley

Attachment 2 – Accounts Payable – Grand Valley and District Community Centre

Attachment 3 – Monthly Procurement Update Report – Town of Grand Valley

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