

# South West Dufferin OPP Detachment Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 20, 2025 – 4PM

5 Main Street North, Grand Valley

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The Police Services Board met at the Town of Grand Valley Municipal Office  
On November 20, 2025 commencing at 4:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Chair - Councillor James Jonker (Grand Valley)  
Municipal Appointee Member – East Garafraxa - Julian Vines  
Provincial Appointee Member - Amie Zukowksi  
Councillor Brad Metzger (Amaranth)  
Municipal Appointee Member – Amaranth – Andrew Stirk  
Municipal Appointee Member – Grand Valley – Tom Stuckey  
Inspector-Detachment Commander Michael Di Pasquale  
Secretary / Staff - Brad Haines (Grand Valley)  
Secretary / Staff – Holly Boardman (Amaranth)  
Staff – Meaghan Townsend (Grand Valley CAO)  
Staff – Nicole Martin (Amaranth CAO)

**ABSENT:**

Deputy Mayor John Stirk (East Garafraxa)

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

2025-11-01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to confirm the proceedings of the November 20, 2025

meeting of South West Dufferin O.P.P Detachment Board.

Moved by: A. Stirk, Seconded by T. Stuckey

CARRIED

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

**3. Adoption of Agenda**

2025-11-02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board adopts the Agenda dated November 20, 2025 as amended,

Moved By: A. Stirk, Seconded by T. Stuckey

CARRIED

**4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

**5. Oaths and Affirmation – Brad Metzger, Amaranth Municipal Appointee**

Chair Jonker welcomes the newest member Brad Metzger as Amaranth.

Clerk Meaghan Townsend witnesses the oath.

**6. Adoption of Previous Minutes**

**4.1 September 18. 2025.**

2025-11-03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board receives the minutes dated September 18, 2025 as presented.

Moved by: A. Stirk, Seconded by A. Zukowski

CARRIED

**7. Items for Discussion**

7.1 Abuse Policy

7.1.1 OAPSB Advisor Hank Zehr Abuse, Violence and Harassment Policy Inquiry Email

7.1.2 Abuse Violence and Harassment Policy – Lanark County O.P.P

7.1.3 Respectful Workplace Policy – Collingwood O.P.P Detachment Board

2025-11-03

Round table discussion among board members regarding which workplace policy between the two provided they wanted to use as a template.

J. Stirk states the Collingwood Policy seems sufficient and other members agree.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Board direct staff to draft a Respectful Workplace Policy, based on Collingwood O.P.P Detachment Boards Policy and present it at the next meeting for approval.

CARRIED

7.2 Brantford Road Safety Committee / Road Safety Plan

7.3 2026 Meeting Schedule - Verbal Discussion

Round table discussion regarding scheduling 2025 meeting times. The group agrees to keep the meetings quarterly, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Meetings scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Secretary B. Haines to coordinate agenda and information sharing regarding agendas, by-laws and all other board administration.

## 8. Financials

9.1 SWDPSB Expenses as of November 12, 2025

2025-11-05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board adopts the South West Dufferin O.P.P Detachment Board Expense Report as of November 12, 2025, as presented.

Moved by: A. Stirk, Seconded by A. Zukowski

CARRIED

## 9. Police Reports

9.1 Q3 Dufferin Southwest O.P.P Detachment Board Report

Inspector Di Pasquale shares highlights of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report. Some highlights covered include;

- Pro active Enforcement near community safety zones / schools for first week back to school.
- Motorcycle unit now available at Dufferin detachment for trained officers
- Firearm and assaults currently 'grouped' together in reports, looking to separate as they are very different offences.

Chair Jonker inquires about auto thefts; If they have gone down since the rise in recent years?

To which Inspector Di Pasquale advises the board that they have gone down, as there was extremely high numbers previously reported.

Chair Jonker also inquires about thefts over \$5000; If the higher number be attributed to cost of inflation (everything being more expensive as of late).

J. Vines questions the statistics regarding residents offered victim services vs those who were referred victim services and if a specific demographic is using victim services more frequently.

The board has further discussion regarding victim services being offered vs referred. Inspector Di Pasquale shares power point with board members, speaking to detachments accomplishments in 2025, Community engagement and discusses the Offender Management Program (OMAP).

2025-11-06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board receives the OPP Dufferin Detachment Reports as presented.

Moved by: A. Stirk, Seconded by: T. Stuckey

## **10. Correspondence**

10.1 Advisors – Board Police Service Assignments – Sept 2025

10.2 Advisory Bulletin 2.1 Board and Committee Meetings

10.3 Announcing 2026 OAPSB Membership Renewals

10.4 Inspector General Memorandum 7 – Risk Base Compliance Framework

10.5 Insurance Program FAQ

10.6 OAPSB – Benefits Sheet

10.7 OAPSB Membership Renewal Invoice Email

Chair and members of the board to contact other O.P.P detachment board members to see the benefits of paying into OAPSB memberships and discuss at first meeting in 2026 (February).

Chair Joker speaks to going to joint board meeting in years past, not seeing the value for a smaller municipality such as Grand Valley, Amaranth or East Garafraxa. More beneficial to keep a local joint board meeting for Dufferin County.

10.7.1 Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Invoice 407

10.8 Risk Based Compliance and Enforcement Framework Sept 2025

2025-11-07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board receives the correspondence as presented.

Moved by: A. Stirk, Seconded By: B. Metzger

CARRIED

## **11. Other Business**

A. Stirk questions what Grand Valley has done since legislation was put in place to re-peal Automated Speed Enforcement.

M. Townsend states that the camera is currently offline and the town is looking at other ways that the camera can be used.

Round table discussion to take place at the February 19, 2026 meeting regarding 2026 OAPSB memberships.

A Vice chair is also to be selected at the first meeting of 2026.

**12. Next meeting** – February 19, 2026.

**13. Adjournment**

**14.** 2025-11-08

BE IT RESOLVED THT we do now adjourn this meeting at 5:30pm to meet again on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 4pm at Amaranth Council Chamber or at the call of the Chair

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James Jonker, Chair

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Brad Haines, Secretary