



GRAND VALLEY

STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor and Members of Council
From: Brad Haines – By-law & Property Standards Enforcement Officer
Meeting Date: March 24, 2026
Report Number: 2026-064
Subject: By-law Enforcement Status Update – February 2026

Recommendation

THAT Council receives Report – By-Law Enforcement Status Update –February 2026

Executive Summary

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on the status of the By-law Enforcement Department, enforcement/prosecution activities, upcoming training, equipment use and upcoming / ongoing projects.

Key Findings

This report will focus on:

- Parking Enforcement
- FLO Electric Vehicle Charger
- Other complaints and inquiries
- School Zone Parking Update

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications to this report

Report

Background

To provide Council with an update of the By-law and Property Standards Enforcement activities for the month of February 2026.

Discussion

Parking Enforcement

By-law Enforcement is continuing with proactive parking patrols, issuing parking infractions proactively, in addition to reactive patrols upon receiving any complaints from the public. Continuing to be pro-active with winter parking enforcement by ticketing vehicles to ensure smooth snow removal operations for the Public Works Team with winter parking regulations now in effect. Significant improvements have been noted upon enforcing overnight / early morning for winter parking regulations. With one month remaining in the winter season, consistent and sporadic enforcement is important to ensure ongoing compliance.

The Town has now received a duplicate complaint from another resident stating that a resident is consistently parking within the lay-by adjacent to Canada Post community mailboxes blocking both residents picking up their mail and preventing mail carriers' easy access to the community mailboxes. While this has been brought to Councils' attention previously, staff were not directed to take any action at that time. To make parking within a community mailbox lay-by enforceable, a new set fine application will need to be submitted to the Solicitor General. Should Council deem the change is needed, staff would recommend ensuring any changes needed are done to the Traffic and Parking By-law at once to avoid multiple by-law amendments.

Stats - Parking Enforcement – February 2026:

- Total Infraction notices issued = 14
- Total Notices paid = 7
- Impending Conviction Notices sent = 6
- Sent for Conviction to POA-Caledon = 6
- Vehicles Towed = 0

FLO Car Electric Vehicle Charger

By-law Enforcement has been having ongoing issues with the electric car charger located at the Grand Valley's Wastewater Treatment Plant. Upon troubleshooting over the phone with a customer service technician, the issues persisted and warranted a visit from a service

technician to repair the issue. Unfortunately, the on-site service technician was unable to repair the issue, so it had to be escalated further with a further service appointment scheduled. The issue has been reported within the 3-year warranty period allowing the repairs or possible replacement to be covered under this warranty and avoid any additional costs.

Recent Complaints & Inquiries

A recent complaint has been received regarding the overfeeding of birds (pigeons) on a residential property within Mayberry Hill. The complaint stated that the bird feeders were not in a sanitary condition and a large quantity of bird seed was collecting underneath the feeders which was not only attracting birds, but predators. Multiple birds had been found injured or dead on adjacent properties. While the Town of Grand Valley does not have a feeding wildlife by-law, the Clean Yards by-law speaks to it as per section 9 and 34 of the of the Towns Property Standards By-law states;

'9.1 - Every Yard shall be kept clean and free of Litter, salvage and from objects or conditions that might create a Nuisance, or a health, fire, safety or accident hazard.

34.1 - Every Building or Accessory or outdoor storage area or outdoor display area shall be kept free of rodents, vermin, insects, and other pests at all times.'

An order to comply was issued, to which the property owner complied and tidied the bird feeders and the nearby area. An additional property inspection will take place in the spring to ensure compliance after the snow has melted.

As Grand Valley continues to grow and more residents move here from urban areas, who are unfamiliar with rural living, a feeding wildlife by-law may be worth developing for the Town as this type of behaviour may become more frequent.

School Zone Update

Consistent on-going patrols are being carried out during both drop-off and pick-up times within the community safety zone and surrounding the Grand Valley and District Public School. A noticeable improvement has been noted regarding traffic movement and il-legal parking in the area. The additional signage needed has been ordered by Public Works and will be installed once received. This should further improve compliance and traffic movement. The north side of Spruyt Ave will be updated in either June or September by implementing no parking, however cooperation from the school board will be needed to ensure a smooth roll out of the parking regulations (i.e. implementation of kiss and ride lane or re-locating staff parking to the Grand Valley Community Center).

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications to this report.

Consultations

None

Attachments

None

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