



# TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH



When people talk about the **GOAT** - "Greatest of All Time" - it's usually in sports or music, but let's give it a political twist.

Imagine the GOAT as a political leader who checks all the boxes of influence, legacy, and adaptability.

**Visionary Leadership** - The political GOAT isn't just about winning elections - they redefine the game. Think of leaders who introduced transformative policies that shaped nations for decades. They set agendas that others follow, much like a star athlete setting records that become benchmarks.

**Coalition Building** - In politics, being the GOAT means mastering alliances. Just as a legendary player elevates teammates, a political GOAT unites diverse factions - sometimes even rivals - to achieve monumental goals. This ability to build consensus is like being the MVP of diplomacy.

**Longevity and Adaptability** - Sports GOATs stay dominant across eras; political GOATs survive shifting ideologies and crises. They pivot when needed without losing core principles, proving resilience in turbulent times.

**Cultural Impact** - A true GOAT changes the conversation beyond policy - shaping culture, inspiring movements and leaving a legacy that future leaders emulate. Their speeches, decisions and even controversies become part of history's playbook.

**Metrics of Greatness** - Electoral success (like championships), Policy impact (game-changing plays), Global influence (international recognition), Public trust (fan loyalty)

So, if we were to crown a political GOAT, it wouldn't just be about charisma or popularity - it's about rewriting the rules, leaving a lasting imprint and being the standard others aspire to.

## Are you ready to be a GOAT?

Nominations for the 2026 Municipal Election open  
May 1, 2026.

Dufferin County Candidate Information Sessions will be held on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> (evening) and Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> (day). Time and location information will be posted on the Township website and social media once available.

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is hosting a free webinar workshop series to equip aspiring candidates with the tools, resilience and clarity to lead and run with purpose, confidence and authenticity. Through expert facilitation, peer discussions and practical takeaways, you'll gain insight, energy and a stronger foundation for leadership.

- Session 1— Finding Your Why – Leading with Purpose and Authenticity
- Session 2— Praise Your Rivals – Managing Conflict and Building Effective Relationships
- Session 3— What Matters Most – Prioritizing Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Session 4— Building Your Movement – Turning Values into Action

Visit the following link for more information and to register:  
<https://www.amo.on.ca/amos-healthy-democracy-leaders-series-stronger-leaders-stronger-communities>

## WINTER / SPRING NEWSLETTER 2026

### Township Contact Information

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Office Hours  
Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

### Council 2022-2026

Mayor Chris Gerrits	(519) 288-6177
Deputy Mayor Gail Little	(519) 925-2983
Councillor Susan Graham	(519) 215-3407
Councillor Brad Metzger	(416) 420-9083
Councillor Victor Paan	(647) 465-6626



Check out our website and Facebook page for information, news and events.

<https://www.facebook.com/amaranthtwp/>



Follow us on LinkedIn! <https://ca.linkedin.com/company/township-of-amaranth>

### 2026 Interim Property Tax Billing

The 2026 interim property tax bill installments are due February 26<sup>th</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026. These bills are based on 50% of your 2025 property taxes. Penalty and interest is added to tax accounts on a monthly basis on past due accounts. Tax statements are mailed for past due accounts 4 times per year, in the month after the tax installment due date.

### 2026 Budget

Share your budget priorities with Council during regular and special meetings. Residents are invited to join meetings with ideas, comments or questions for Council and may participate electronically or in person. Comments can be submitted by email to [info@amaranth.ca](mailto:info@amaranth.ca) for discussion at the meeting.

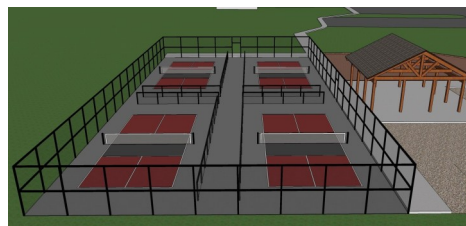
Council meeting dates, agendas and minutes can be found on the Township website.



### Coming Soon!

#### Amaranth Pickleball Courts

Let's serve up something great - donate today and be a part of the movement! Sponsorship Opportunities Available For more information or to sponsor Contact Henriette Kottelenberg [hkott6@gmail.com](mailto:hkott6@gmail.com) or 519-939-7352



# Visit The ROM

## with YOUR Library Card!






Contact the Shelburne Public Library today to learn how you & up to three guests can enjoy free admission to the ROM!



Grand Valley Public Library  
4 Amaranth Street East

### Explore - Connect - Enrich

[www.grandvalley.org](http://www.grandvalley.org)  
519-928-5622

- Books, Magazine, Books on CD & DVDs
- eBooks, eMagazines & eAudiobooks
- Programs - adult, children and teens
- Seed Library
- Online Resources - research, learning languages, education and more
- Hotspots - mobile internet device
- Chromebooks
- Playaway Launchpads - preprogrammed learning tablets
- Video Games
- Passes - day passes to parks and museum
- Birdwatching Kits
- Puzzles/Radon Detectors/ Happylights/ Dash Robot



## Get your library card today

Books are just the beginning – programs, park passes, eBooks, magazines and more!

Sign up online or visit Orangeville Public Library.


519-941-0610  
[orangevillelibrary.ca](http://orangevillelibrary.ca)



### 2026 Amaranth Soccer Program

The 2026 soccer season will run on Wednesday evenings 6:30 pm-8:00 pm from June 3 to August 5, 2026. The registration fee is \$90.00 per child and registration forms are due May 22. This is a co-ed, non-competitive league for ages 4 - 16 years. Please visit the Township Website for forms and further information. Completed registration forms can be dropped off, emailed or mailed to the Municipal office. Payments will be accepted by cash or cheque during regular hours or can be placed in the drop box at the Municipal office.


Volunteers for coaching are needed! If you are interested in coaching please contact the office at 519-941-1007 or by email at [info@amaranth.ca](mailto:info@amaranth.ca)



### Winter Parking / Snow Removal

Starting November 15th, 2025, parking restrictions will be in place until April 15th, 2026. No on street parking will be permitted in order to allow for snow removal and/or winter maintenance activities as per section 4.2 of Parking By-Law 2025-43. Vehicles may be ticketed and/or towed.


When clearing your driveway, ensure that snow is not deposited onto the roadway, including pushing snow across the road onto the road allowance.



### Mailbox Policy

Residents are responsible to ensure mailboxes are maintained, in good order and that the snow around the mailbox is removed. The Township is only responsible for damage to a mailbox caused by our vehicle having direct contact with the mailbox.

The Township will not replace a mailbox that is damaged due to lack of maintenance or snow load.



The mailbox policy can be found on the Township website. The owner must report damage within 48 hours.

### Are You Registered to Vote?

Elections Ontario has launched a rebranded Register to Vote website. Electors can use the website to update, add or confirm their information for provincial, municipal and DSSAB elections in Ontario.

[www.elections.on.ca/en.html](http://www.elections.on.ca/en.html)



RegisterToVoteON.ca  
1.866.242.3025

### Never miss your waste collection day!

View your waste collection schedule, receive notifications, and search the **Which Bin?** tool with the **DufferinWaste** app!





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Download on the App Store




### Residential Blue Carts UPDATE!







Starting March 2026, each household in Dufferin County will receive a standard issued wheeled, lidded recycling cart designed to accommodate a broad range of accepted materials on a weekly basis. Please continue to use your blue boxes and blue bags for collections until the blue cart rollout.

For more information visit:

[www.circularmaterials.ca/resident-communities/dufferincounty/](http://www.circularmaterials.ca/resident-communities/dufferincounty/)

### Tree Orders

Look for the 2026 Tree order information in the next tax billing. These orders will be for delivery in Spring 2027. Order forms will be available at the Township office or on the website.

