

Message From Reeve Kidd

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COVID-19—Update #10



As COVID-19 pandemic is evolving quickly and updates are emerging daily, we want to assure our residents that the Township is monitoring new information as it becomes available in order to be able to ensure the health and safety of our residents.

Ontario Launches New Webpage:

Ontario has launched a new <u>dedicated web page</u> and is changing how COVID-19 cases are being reported to provide a more relevant summary of data from Public Health Ontario that offers expanded information every day at 10:30 a.m.

If you think you may have COVID-19 symptoms or have been in close contact with someone who has it, first self-isolate and then use Ontario's Self-Assessment Tool to see if you need to seek further care.

We need to remember that we all have an obligation to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 to our families, friends, neighbours, and communities. Please do not underestimate the impact that your actions will have in helping to stop the spread of this virus.

Playground Structure / Sports Fields

Ontario is issuing a new emergency order under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act to close all outdoor recreational amenities, such as sports fields and playgrounds, effective immediately. Therefore by Order of the Provincial Government Beckwith Park and Playground Structure will now be closed. Green spaces in parks and trails will remain open, but individuals must maintain the safe physical distance of at least two metres apart from others.

Province of Ontario—State of Emergency

The Province has extended the declaration of Provincial emergency along with many other orders until April 13th,2020.

Some of the order include:

- Declaration of a provincial emergency
- Closure of public places and establishments with exemption for emergency child care for healthcare and frontline essential service workers
- Prohibiting events and gatherings of more than five people
- Enforcement of emergency orders
- Work deployment for health service providers
- Work deployment for long-term care homes
- Electronic service of documents
- Electricity pricing
- Drinking water and sewage
- Closure of non-essential workplaces
- Traffic management
- Prohibiting unconscionable pricing for necessary goods
- Streamlining requirements for long-term care homes

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