## **TOWNSHIP OF MANITOUWADGE**

1 Mississauga Drive Manitouwadge, ON P0T 2C0

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

March 30, 2020

### - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -

# COVID-19 - All Township Facilities Closed to the Public

Further to the Declaration of a State of Emergency issued Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, the Township of Manitouwadge is taking additional action to ensure the continued delivery of critical services while protecting the health and safety of Township staff and the community.

Effective Monday, March 30, 2020 the following services will be impacted:

- All Township facilities will be closed to the public, including the Municipal Office.
- Public Works shop is closed to the public. Service requests can be submitted by phone at 807-826-3227 ext: 230. After-Hours Public Works Emergency: (807) 230-2204 (This is a local call).
  - Waste collection and winter operations are not impacted.
- The Township Landfill site is open Wednesdays and Saturdays. For the safety of staff and visitors, landfill tipping fees will be suspended until further notice.
- Building and by-law enforcement inquiries can be submitted by email: Building Dept: <a href="mailto:owen@manitouwadge.ca">owen@manitouwadge.ca</a> By-law Dept: <a href="mailto:mleo@manitouwadge.ca">mleo@manitouwadge.ca</a>.
- The Fire Department is doing emergency response only. For emergencies, call 911.
- Economic Development services are closed. For any inquiries or services call 807-826-3227 ext: 242 or email <a href="mailto:edo@manitouwadge.ca">edo@manitouwadge.ca</a>.
- The Treasury Department is closed to the public. All financial inquiries call 807-826-3227 ext: 225 or email <a href="mailto:tax-utility@manitouwadge.ca">tax-utility@manitouwadge.ca</a>.
  - Payments may be made remotely by the methods below:
  - Online and Telephone banking with Scotia Bank, Toronto Dominion or CIBC.
    Payments can be made inside these institutions as well.
  - Cheques, money orders and cash payment can be left in the over-night drop box to the left of the main entrance doors. (Please insert payment method into envelope and describe your payment details to ensure payments are applied accordingly).
- The Clerks Department is closed to the public. Urgent Commissioning and Cemetery services may be provided by appointment only. For any inquiries call 807-826-3227 ext: 223 or email <a href="mailto:deputyclerk@manitouwadge.ca">deputyclerk@manitouwadge.ca</a>.
- All Council Meetings will be closed to the public but are available for viewing via our livestream video. Please visit our website for access.
- All recreational facilities and programs closed and cancelled.
- Manitouwadge Airport closed to the public. All flights will operate per usual.

Citizens with urgent matters requiring the attention of staff are advised to contact the appropriate department to determine if accommodations can be made.

As this situation is developing, we will continue to monitor and make adjustments where necessary. Please continue to visit our website at <a href="www.manitouwadge.ca">www.manitouwadge.ca</a> and our official Facebook page.

We thank you for your patience and collective support as we continue to provide services in this manner to protect the health and safety of our community.