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The Corporation of the Town of Marathon Pandemic Planning COVID-19 Update – Bylaw and Facility Closure Compliance

MARATHON, ON; April 14, 2020 – The Town of Marathon remains diligent in monitoring the situation as it pertains to COVID-19. We continue to evaluate all Public Health Agency communications as well as communications from other Federal and Provincial Government Health Authorities. The health and well-being of our residents is of great importance.

The Emergency Control Group met today to discuss the latest developments in the COVID-19 situation and to review compliance with the Physical Distancing Bylaw over the Easter weekend as well as compliance with municipality facility closures as a number of public complaints were received regarding residents accessing Pebble Beach and Penn Lake Park to recreate.

"By and large, the majority of our community is adhering to the provincial and municipal regulations that are in place. This is encouraging as they are in place for strict reasons. But for some, they are choosing to put others in our community at risk because they are not following the orders. This is not acceptable at this time. We will continue to be diligent with public education and active enforcement." Mayor Rick Dumas.

Under the current Provincial Emergency Order as well as the Town of Marathon Emergency Declaration, the OPP as well as the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer have the powers to issue both provincial and municipal fines and charges.

For more information, please contact the Municipal office during the regular business hours of 8:00am to 4:00pm at 229-1340; after hours 229-6125. We encourage our residents to visit our Municipal website (www.marathon.ca) and Municipal Facebook page for updated information.

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