

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## The Corporation of the Town of Marathon Pandemic Planning Suspension of Municipal Fire Permits and Open Burning

**MARATHON, ON; March 27, 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 protection and health of our front line Firefighters during this COVID-19 situation is a priority. Ensuring we have adequate Firefighters to respond to emergency calls is critical to the safety of the municipality and its residents. Therefore effective immediately, all municipally-issued fire permits and any open burning within the municipality is suspended until further notice.

A full refund will be issued for those residents that have purchased a 2020 fire permit if they desire.

For more information, please contact the Municipal office during regular business hours of 10:00am to 2:00pm at 229-1340; after hours 229-6125. We encourage our residents to visit our Municipal website (<u>www.marathon.ca</u>) and Municipal Facebook page for updated information.

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