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The Corporation of the Town of Marathon Pandemic Planning COVID-19 Update – Marathon Town Hall Re-opening

MARATHON, ON; May 28, 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 has made the decision to open Town Hall to the public beginning on June 1 with strict guidelines and restrictions in place, which include:

- Hours open to the public will be from 10am to 4pm.
- Passive screening by Town staff. Those patrons exhibiting any signs of illness will be asked to leave the premises.
- Hand disinfection stations have been set-up in the lobby that must be used.
- No more than two patrons in Town Hall at one time with physical distancing in effect and traffic flow pattern clearly marked out.
- Credit and debit payment is preferred over cash.
- Those wishing to use marriage licence or commissioning services must book an appointment and wear a mask at the appointment.
- Only essential services will be offered. Items such as building permits and bylaw-related matters will still be dealt with virtually.
- No meetings will be held at Town Hall with the exception of Town Council meetings which will still remain closed to the public bot offered through Facebook Live and Shaw Channel 5.
- Public washrooms will be closed.

Residents are asked that they only use Town Hall services if they are required. Things such as general inquiries will not be dealt with at this time in person. These matters can be accessed through the Town of Marathon website.

"While we are opening some services to the public at Town Hall, the health and safety of our employees remains our first priority. Therefore, we are asking the public that if they use town hall, to please respect and obey all of the protocols in place." Mayor Rick Dumas.

For more information, please contact the Municipal office during the regular business hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm 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.