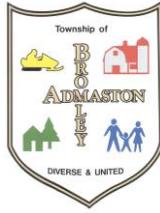


# Township of Admaston/Bromley



## MEDIA RELEASE

March 20, 2020

The Township of Admaston/Bromley continues to monitor the public health challenges presented by COVID-19. While no cases have been identified to date in Renfrew County we continue to engage with partners and stakeholders in the health community. While the Township has not declared a local state of emergency, Premier Ford declared a Provincial State of Emergency on Tuesday, March 17.

At last night's meeting, Council enacted several important measures. A Pandemic Response Plan was adopted and from that a Pandemic Response Committee was stood up. The Committee is comprised of the Mayor, Clerk Treasurer and Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Public Works Superintendent, Fire Chief and Community Emergency Management Coordinator. Taking guidance from the Renfrew County & District Health Unit and Provincial and Federal agencies, the Committee will meet regularly to ensure contingency measures are in place to ensure uninterrupted delivery of essential services in responding to this unprecedented challenge.

Council also moved to take advantage of emergency measures unanimously adopted by the Province just yesterday. These measures enact changes to the Municipal Act, providing for continuity of Council oversight while recognizing current distancing recommendations. They allow for all of Council to remotely attend meetings through teleconferencing where previously this was restricted to two members. Staff were directed to investigate available options, ideally that could be implemented for the next scheduled Council meeting on April 2.

The following facilities are closed to the public until further notice:

- The Municipal Office and Council Chambers
- Public Works Garages
- Barr Line Community Centre
- Admaston/Bromley Public Library
- Douglas Fire Hall
- Douglas Recreation Complex
- Admaston Recreation Complex

While the Municipal office is closed to the public, Township staff will continue to keep regular office hours and are available by telephone or email. Meetings with staff may be available on a case-by-case basis however in such case visitors will be screened prior to entry. Tax payments may still be made online, at your bank or can be deposited in the mailbox at the Municipal office entrance.

The Landfill site and transfer stations remain open to the public. You are asked to respect the recommended 6m separation from others when attending these sites. We urge residents to carefully sort recyclables as landfill attendants will not handle any recyclable or trash. The landfill site attendants will also not receive tipping fees at the sites, as has been the common practice, but will instead collect information of the patron who will be invoiced by the Township.

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Please follow these instructions to reduce the spread of germs:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use alcohol-based sanitizers.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, unless you have just cleaned your hands with soap.
- Cover your cough and sneeze with a tissue or into your arm, not your hand
- If possible, stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid visiting people in hospitals or long-term care centers if you are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- It is still recommended to get your flu shot if you have not already as the flu virus is still circulating in the community.

As circumstances change or additional information becomes available it will be posted to the Municipal website and shared on social media.