



360 Dibble St. West (Box 160) • Prescott ON K0E 1T0 • T: (613) 925-2812 • F: (613) 925-4381

MEDIA RELEASE

Monday, March 16, 2020

(For Immediate Release)

Town of Prescott – Important Information regarding Coronavirus disease (COVID-19)

(PRESCOTT) The Town of Prescott held a second special meeting of the Emergency Management Committee on Monday morning to review and update precautions regarding the developing situation with coronavirus (COVID-19).

Town Hall remains operational to provide essential services and assistance to residents, by appointment only. To make an appointment, please telephone 613-925-2812 ext. 6200. Council, Committee of the Whole, and Committees of Council will only meet to deal with legislative, regulatory and/or time sensitive issues. The Prescott Fire Department will continue operating under their standard operating procedures. All Town recreational programming, events, and facility rentals have ceased for the immediate future, as gatherings can accelerate the spread of the virus. The Town of Prescott will continue to monitor the ongoing situation and update the public accordingly. The Town will review these measures and update as circumstances require.

“The best advice I can offer anyone right now is to stay home, if at all possible. Avoid public areas, and do whatever you can to contain the spread of COVID-19” said Mayor Brett Todd. “We are all in this together. We will get through this, but we have to remember the vulnerable people in our society, and to look out for them by containing the spread of this virus.”

As of Monday, March 16, the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit states the risk of exposure to the COVID-19 continues to be low in this region. There have been no identified cases reported in Leeds-Grenville-Lanark. If you are experiencing any symptoms, please make use of the Ontario Self-Assessment Tool, telephone 1-866-797-0000, or contact the local public health unit. Health Canada has updated their recommendations for travellers returning to Canada. Information can be found at the links below.

In order to keep up to date with official information, please refer to the following sources:

Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Public Health: <https://healthunit.org/coronavirus/>

Ontario Ministry of Health: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus>

Ontario COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus>

Health Canada: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html>

As additional information becomes available, we will provide it through the Town of Prescott website and social media platforms.

-30-

For more information, contact:
Matthew Armstrong
Chief Administrative Officer / Treasurer
(613) 925-2812 Ext. 6220