



Town of Collingwood Weekly Town Page



Thursday, April 30, 2020

LIMIT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19
STAY HOME
SELF-ISOLATE
EXERCISE PHYSICAL DISTANCING

Collingwood's COVID-19 Information Portal: www.collingwood.ca/covid

THANK YOU
FRONT-LINE HEROES

HOSPITAL STAFF - FIRST RESPONDERS - CAREGIVERS - ALL ESSENTIAL WORKERS

COLLINGWOOD
SUPPORTS YOU

#COLLINGWOODSTRONG #CWOODTOGETHERATHOME

HEALTH INFORMATION

Stay home as much as possible

- Limit the number of people you come in contact with and stay at home unless you have to go to work (talk to your employer about working at home if possible).
- Individuals over the age of 70 or those with compromised immune systems or underlying medical conditions are strongly urged to stay at home.
- Avoid all non-essential trips into your community. If you leave your home, always keep a distance of at least 2 metres or 6 feet from others.
- Avoid heading to your cottage or seasonal residence. These communities have more limited healthcare services than the city.

Practise physical distancing

- Physical distancing means keeping 2 metres or 6 feet between you and another person, unless they are members of your household.
- Do not gather in groups.
- Limit contact with people at higher risk (e.g. older adults and those in poor health).
- Everyone should do their best to avoid close contact with people outside of their immediate families.
- Find new ways to connect with others and practice self-care during this time. Take care of yourself and each other.

Practise proper hygiene

- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 15 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Sneeze and cough into your sleeve.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth

Go for a walk/exercise if you can

- Only if you are not showing symptoms or have not been diagnosed with COVID-19.
- Have not travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days.
- Do not congregate and always practise physical distancing by keeping at least two metres apart from others at all times.

Learn more at www.simcoemuskokahealth.org



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WE ARE HAPPY TO ASSIST YOU ONLINE & OVER THE PHONE

Please take notice that the Town Hall facility and all in-person Customer Service Desks are now closed until further notice. The Town will continue to offer services online and over the phone.

The Town's critical and essential services, including fire services, drinking water & wastewater treatment, snow clearing, enforcement of priority bylaws, and essential customer services will continue.

This temporary closure is part of the Town of Collingwood's proactive efforts to help get ahead of COVID-19 and to protect Residents and Staff.

We are happy to assist you online and over the phone.

- Call: 705-445-1030
- Email: townhall@collingwood.ca
- Visit: www.collingwood.ca
- Drop Box: Drop Payments, Forms, or any questions off at the Town Hall Drop Box located at the front door. Please include your Contact Info.

Updates about Town Services will be available on the Town Website, and the Town Twitter & Facebook channels, as well as local News channels. The Town will continue to provide timely updates to residents.



RELIEF MEASURES FOR RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES

Collingwood Council approved relief measures for residents and businesses in Collingwood. These measures include waiving municipal tax penalty and interest charges for March, April, and May, and waiving water and wastewater penalty and interest charges for 90 days. EPCOR is also supplying electricity bill reduction for lower income customers, and off-peak electricity rates 24/7. Council and Administration continue to explore other relief options. **Learn more about these relief measures at www.collingwood.ca/covid**

COLLINGWOOD TOGETHER

Raise your hand as a Volunteer! We appreciate having you as a potential resource. There may not be an immediate need, but add your name to the Collingwood Together Volunteer Database on www.collingwood.ca



COMMUNITY FORUM

We want to hear from you on Engage Collingwood! Town Council and Administration are listening. Please send us questions and suggestions on how the Town can help you during this difficult time. Share positive stories of how you are keeping busy and give a shout-out or a thank-you to someone who has helped you out. List things you are thankful for in these difficult times. **Join the conversation on engage.collingwood.ca**



Collingwood's COVID-19 BUSINESS RECOVERY RESOURCES

www.collingwood.ca/recovery



COMMUNITY CONNECTION 211

Help is just a phone call away. 211 connects people to services available in the community. Please call 211 if you are in need of help. The 2-1-1 Helpline is available 24/7 in 150 languages.



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Council Corner

Corporate & Community Services: May 4, 2020

Strategic Initiatives: May 6, 2020

Corporate & Community Services: May 11, 2020

All Council and Standing Committee meetings are held by videoconference at 5:00 p.m. on the dates listed above, unless otherwise noted. All Council and Standing committee meetings are livestreamed. For more information please visit: <https://collingwood.civicweb.net/portal/>

Anyone wishing to address Standing Committee or Council regarding municipal business can contact clerk@collingwood.ca. Details regarding participating at Standing Committees that doesn't require pre-registration will be identified on the respective standing committee agenda.

Employment

Seasonal Hiring on Hold

As you are aware, the COVID-19 pandemic is having impacts around the world. Normally at this time of year, we look forward to our Seasonal employees joining our team and performing work that helps to make Collingwood an incredible place to live, work, and play.

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 we have been forced to put our seasonal hiring on hold until we know when the season will begin.

We thank everyone interested in joining the Town of Collingwood team and look forward to working together in the future.

Fire Safety Reminder



Check your Smoke & CO Alarms. With families spending more time at home together, it's a good reminder to check your Smoke & CO Alarms at home. Make sure they operate properly. Stay home, stay safe, stay healthy!
#makenoiseathome



COVID-19 Advisory

2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

What you need to know to help you and your family stay healthy



Wash your hands with soap and water thoroughly and often.



Keep surfaces clean and disinfected.

Cough and sneeze into your sleeve or a tissue. Dispose of tissue immediately and wash your hands.



Stay home when you are sick.



If you have symptoms, call Telehealth Ontario at:
1-866-797-0000
TTY: 1-866-797-0007
Or contact your public health unit.

For more information, visit Ontario.ca/coronavirus

Ontario

Call for Community Submissions



The Town of Collingwood has created a new online hub called RallyPoint which is a one stop community hub linking you to online classes, workshops, and virtual experiences related to physical activity, well-being, education, culture, music and much more.

If you are in Collingwood and surrounding area and have a free or fee based offering and would like us to include it on our RallyPoint page, please fill out the webform by visiting www.collingwood.ca/rallypoint

For more information on this initiative, please contact anorris@collingwood.ca

Library Program

TECH TIME
WITH GORDON



thursdays at 1pm

ON THE CPL FACEBOOK PAGE

collingwoodpubliclibrary.ca

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Surplus Items

The Town of Collingwood is providing notice regarding the Sale of Surplus Items and Equipment

These items include:

- 2013 Olympia Battery Powered Arena Ice Edger D
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More information on these items may be found by visiting www.govdeals.ca/collingwood

These items are sold “as is” “where is” and the suitability for the intended purpose may not be guaranteed.

For more information on this process contact:

Dave McNalty
Fleet and Facility Manager
(705) 445-1292 ext. 4208
dmcnalty@collingwood.ca

Public Engagement

Help Shape Your Community!

The Town is seeking applicants for the new

Trails & Active Transportation Advisory Committee

Applicants should represent skill sets and/or interest in the following areas: trails, trail maintenance, biking (or other form of active transportation), walkability, accessibility, people orientated design, or design of multi-use trail and bike routes; and must be eligible to vote in the Town of Collingwood.

For applications and more information please visit collingwood.civicweb.net/Portal/BoardApplication or clerk@collingwood.ca or 705-445-1030

Applications must be submitted no later than Monday, May 18, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.



Notices

When You Reopen - Get That Water Runnin'!

Since many facilities have shut their doors over the last few weeks and have been mostly vacant, we ask that you get your water running!

We're encouraging residents and business owners to turn on a tap in their building ***If no one has been using the water for at least 3-4 days.***

What this does is flush your internal plumbing system, as the water has sat in your pipes for longer than normal. Similar to how the Water Department flushes hydrants to clean out our water mains, now is the time for you to flush your own system. Please run water for 5 minutes and from one tap, then run the taps you drink from until the water is cold.

Contact Water Services if you have any questions at water@collingwood.ca and 705-45-1581

Spring Hydrant Flushing has begun!

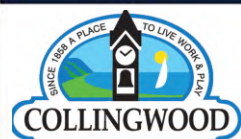
The Town of Collingwood Water Department completes hydrant flushing as an important preventative maintenance activity. The process is part of a routine maintenance program necessary to maintain the integrity of the water system and to deliver the highest quality of water to our customers.

The Town's distribution network consists of watermain ranging in size from 100 mm – 600 mm diameter. Sediment and deposits naturally occur over time and if not removed can cause water quality deterioration, including discoloration, taste and odour problems. We flush watermains annually, and all dead end hydrants as required to remove these deposits – ensuring high water quality and adequate disinfection residuals are maintained. Chlorine residuals and flowing pressure readings are taken at each hydrant while flushing is taking place.

Spring maintenance also includes checking and lubricating the hydrant ports, painting, removing hydrant markers, replacing or making repairs to hydrants and any other work related to keeping the hydrants operational all year long.

If tap water is used during flushing, it could be discoloured or contain sediment. If you encounter discolored water, shut the water off and wait for approximately 1 hour. After waiting, check for clarity by running cold water for a few minutes allowing new water to work its way into your pipes. If not, wait a few more minutes and check again. We recommend using a tub or outside faucet to clear the line. In some cases, you may experience slight discoloration for a few hours. This discoloration only affects the appearance of the water; it does not affect the taste or water quality.

If you have any other concerns, call the Water Department at 705-445-1581 x 3320



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Notice

Town of Collingwood Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment Raymond A. Barker Water Treatment Plant Expansion NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Public Information Centre

The Public Information Centre (PIC) previously scheduled for March 24 2020, will now be held through digital engagement. The PIC presentation and engagement material can be accessed using the Engage Collingwood Platform at

<https://engage.collingwood.ca/>

starting on **April, 30, 2020.**

Through this platform, interested parties will be prompted to register using the survey tool. Once registered the PIC presentation can be viewed followed by a comment page. The digital PIC has been created to provide an opportunity for all interested parties to review the alternatives developed for the Water Treatment Plant expansion and discuss the project with the study team.



Project Background

Following the completion of the Master Servicing Plan (MSP) for Water and Sanitary Servicing, the Town of Collingwood has continued with the Class Environmental Assessment planning process to identify and assess options to increase the Town's water treatment capacity. The MSP document identifies the need to expand the existing Raymond A. Barker Water Treatment Plant (WTP) to accommodate future water demands for the Town of Collingwood and its contractual commitments to supply treated water to other municipalities. The Town has retained the services of Ainley Group (in partnership with AECOM) to complete an updated Class EA in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) document (Oct. 2000, as amended 2007, 2011 & 2015). Based on the scope

(increased water treatment capacity), this project constitutes a Schedule "C" project in accordance with the MCEA document.

The Raymond A. Barker WTP is located on Raglan Street as illustrated on the accompanying map. The service area being considered under the Class EA includes Town of Collingwood, and supply requests from the Town of the Blue Mountains, Town of New Tecumseth and Township of Clearview.

Intended Project Scope (Recommended Solution)

Based on an assessment of Options, the Recommended Solution is to repurpose the existing membrane building, construct a new membrane building, proceed with UV disinfection, chlorinate in new contact chambers and undertake associated upgrades to the other existing facilities in the plant. It is suggested that the expansion in the capacity of the plant be undertaken in two phases (Phase 1 and Ultimate) to meet the future anticipated water supply requirements. The opinion of capital cost of the Phase 1 expansion of the plant is \$65 million (2020 dollars). A further expansion will be necessary to meet the Ultimate water supply requirements. Funding for the Phase 1 expansion will be provided through the Town's Allocated Water Reserve Fund (funded through water rates), Development Charges, and the establishment of Water Agreements with other municipalities.

Comments

Public engagement and input is an integral part of the Class EA process. Comments on the information presented will be received until **Monday, June 1st, 2020.** To obtain additional information or to provide input, please contact either of the following members of the study team:

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Collingwood, ON L9Y 4J5
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ainley.m@ainleygroup.com

Any input received during this process will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.



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