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COVID-19 UPDATE

Boat Launch

The Township of Horton is taking action to protect the health and wellbeing of the public. We are adhering and enforcing provincial emergency orders while also understanding the importance of physical activity for mental and physical health.

As such, the Horton Township Boat Launch will remain open to the public. Emergency orders prohibiting the gathering of 5 or more and physical distancing are still in place and will be monitored by municipal by-law enforcement officers.

Premier Ford provided clarity that fishing is still permitted but reminds that people must adhere to relevant emergency orders. Should individuals wish to launch a boat at the Horton boat launch, please be aware of high spring water levels and faster moving water. Please use extreme caution near waterways.

Also, all boaters must have proper licensing and adhere to boat safety laws. With the ongoing COVID -19 pandemic we ask that individuals take precautions, follow safety guidelines, and adhere to emergency orders to limit unnecessary exposure to our first responders.

Boat launch permits will need to be presented in parked vehicles at the boat launch as of May 15th and can be purchased online, as done in previous years.

Fire Ban

A TOTAL BURN BAN is still in effect as per The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry due to the concerns surrounding the spread of COVID-19.

The Township of Horton is committed to providing and maintaining emergency response within our communities and we appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we cope with this uncertain and unprecedented situation.

Recreation Events

ALL Horton Recreation events have been cancelled until June 30th. 2020.

The Community Centre and Municipal Office will remain closed to the public.

Soccer

The children's soccer season for 2020 has been CANCELLED due to Covid-19 for the protection of children and parents. The Township will be refunding anyone who has already registered and paid for their child as well as any sponsors who have donated.

Landfill Site

The Horton Landfill Site will remain closed until further notice. The Township is preparing a plan in conjunction with the Provincial projections to consider re-opening the landfill for Horton residents that is safe for all residents and staff. This will also be dependent on when the Provincial State of Emergency has been lifted.

A NEW Garbage and Recycling Calendar has been mailed out to residents with a start date of May 4th. If you have not yet received a calendar, it is available on the Township website, or can be picked up in the mailbox outside the Municipal Office.

Please see the attached infographic for what is allowed and prohibited in your garbage and recycling collection.

Taxes

The May 29th Property Tax Due date has not been changed and residents are encouraged to pay their taxes online, via regular mail or use the drop box at the Municipal Office. To help ratepayers at this time, Horton Council has agreed to waive interest charges on outstanding property taxes for the end of May, if they are unable to be paid.