

For Immediate Release

Municipality of Brockton COVID-19 Update: Municipal Services

Brockton, ON, July 31, 2020 – The Municipality of Brockton has continued to serve residents by electronic, telephone and remote working arrangements throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. We are pleased to move forward with re-opening plans with additional physical barriers and health and safety protocols in place as advised by health authorities to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Bruce and Grey Counties. Effective July 17, 2020, the Grey Bruce Health Unit has ordered that individuals wear face coverings when receiving goods or services indoors, unless an exemption applies.

Municipal Office Services:

Residents are encouraged to continue to limit unnecessary contact by making electronic payments, using the drop box at the Municipal Office and sending inquiries through email. The Municipality of Brockton will resume in-person services on August 10, 2020 at the Municipal Office located at 100 Scott Street. Additional physical distancing barriers have been installed to ensure safety for municipal staff and residents.

While residents can attend the Municipal Office to purchase dog tags and bag tags. Bag tags can still be purchased at the following locations:

- Cargill Country Variety (205 Main Street, Cargill)
- Circle K (189 10th Street Hanover and 13553 Bruce Road 10, Hanover)
- Paisley Freshmart (436 Queen Street North, Paisley)
- Towne Convenience (420 Durham Street East, Walkerton)
- Walkerton Valu-Mart (1200 Yonge Street South, Walkerton)
- Walkerton Foodland (125 Durham Street East, Walkerton)

Payment of Property Tax Bills and Utility Bills:

Individuals will be able to pay Tax Bills and Utility Bills via Debit, Cash, or Cheque at the Municipal Office as of August 10, 2020, but are reminded that payments can be left in the drop-box, or made via Pre-Authorized Payment Withdrawals or Online/Telephone Banking.

Processing Building Permits:

Residents are encouraged to submit Building Permit Applications and general inquiries for the building department through email to rholliday@brockton.ca or dpaquette@brockton.ca, or to call the Municipal Office at 519-881-2223 Ext 127 or 130 to make an appointment or speak with a Building Official. Building Permit applications and general inquiries will also continue to be accepted through the drop box at the Municipal Office.

Licensing and Commissioner of Oaths:

Marriage Licenses and Lottery Licenses will be provided by appointment only at the Municipal Office, along with the witnessing of documents requiring a Commissioner of Oaths. Please call the Municipal Office at 519-881-2223 to make an appointment or for general inquiries about all types of municipal licensing.

Facilities and Bookings:

The Walkerton Arena, Cargill, Bradley School House and Elmwood Community Centres remain closed. For facility and event bookings and Lobies Park Campground reservations, inquiries can be made by contacting the Brockton Parks and Recreation Office at 519-881-0625 or by emailing inquiries to recreation@brockton.ca. The Parks and Recreation office at the Walkerton Community Centre located at 290 Durham Street West, Walkerton remains closed to in-person walk-in inquiries due to renovations. Please phone or email to arrange a future appointment. Department Staff and Committees are working to open facilities to the public for September. Dates to be determined.

Further Information:

The Municipality of Brockton will continue to obtain information and updates from The Grey Bruce Health Unit and other health agencies and will provide new information to residents when available. The Municipality of Brockton will continue to take all steps necessary to maintain essential services for our residents and local businesses. Visit www.Brockton.ca/COVID19 for updated information regarding the Municipality's response to the pandemic.