



Order Under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*

Whereas the Mayor of the Municipality of Brockton has declared that an emergency exists in the Municipality as a result of the existing COVID-19 pandemic, pursuant subsection 4(1) of *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.9*, as amended (the "Act");

And whereas subsection 4(1) of the Act provides that the Mayor may take such actions and make such orders as the Mayor considers necessary to implement the Municipality's emergency plan and to protect the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Municipality;

And whereas on the advice of the Grey Bruce Health Unit and in support of the prohibition by Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Ian Arra, the Municipality is issuing an order prohibiting all residents of Brockton from hosting or participating in garage and/or yard sales within the Municipality while the pandemic situation exists. Garage and/or yard sales are not considered an essential service, and should therefore not be permitted to operate while the pandemic situation exists. In support of this initiative and recommendations from the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit, the Municipality has determined that it will not permit the operation or participation of this service until the pandemic situation has been addressed and an emergency has been declared to no longer exist;

Now therefore the Mayor hereby makes the following Order under the authority of subsection 4(1) of the Act:

1. Until further notice, no person or persons shall be permitted to host or participate in a garage and/or yard sale in the Municipality of Brockton due to the increased risk of transmission of COVID-19 in such settings.
2. Residents wishing to sell private property or second-hand items should consider using alternative means, such as online platform and social media. However, buying and selling items through these means are allowed at the buyer's and seller's own risk. Residents can refer to the Grey Bruce Health Unit's Considerations for the Exchange of Second Hand Items Guidance document for further assistance. This guidance includes using web-based platforms for the sale of products, along with personal distancing and protective measures that keep people safe.

In accordance with the Act, every person who fails to comply with an order under or who interferes with or obstructs any person in the exercise of a power or the performance of a duty conferred by an order under that subsection is guilty of an offence and is liable on conviction.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2020.

Chris Peabody, Mayor
The Municipality of Brockton