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Town of Kindersley Message from the Mayor and CAO Regarding COVID-19

In response to circumstances which evolve on a daily basis related to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Town of Kindersley continues efforts to assure that essential services are maintained for residents while adhering to provincial directives intended to keep our staff and their families, and our residents safe. Council and Administration have continued to diligently monitor releases from the provincial government, federal government, and the World Health Organization to support their decision making. Plans have been put in place for Kindersley which are structured enough to ensure the continuity of municipal government services, but fluid enough to adapt to the dynamics of the pandemic response.

Following are some of the further measures implemented over the past days:

1. Any buildings previously closed to the public will continue to be closed for the foreseeable future. These include the West Central Events Centre, the Kindersley Aquatic Centre, Elks Hall, the NRCC and the Administration Office. Staff have been provided with a pandemic protocol which includes but is not limited to such measures as alternating working from home, utilizing personal protective equipment, suspension of non-essential services, surface sanitization measures, and limiting the number of staff per work vehicle to one.
2. Communication between Council, Administration, and the residents of Kindersley is, as always, considered crucial. The Town has a sophisticated IT system which is carefully maintained by professionals. Council and Administration remain in constant contact through phone calls and electronic conveyances. Residents are reminded that if you need to report a concern, need to stop or start utility service, or require immediate assistance please reach out to office staff at office@kindersley.ca or by dialing 306-463-2675. Payments for services can be made through online payments, EFTS, mail, or by using the drop off box located beside the south west door (the front door closest to main street). I can be reached directly at 306-463-8137 or CAO Hebert directly at 306 460-5578 if necessary.
3. Regular Meetings of Council will continue but changes will be made to the structure of the meetings. In order to adhere to the provincial health mandates and in accordance with *The Municipalities Act*, the April 13, 2020 Council Meeting will be conducted by means of a combination of telephone, electronic, and personal attendance to Council Chambers which will be considered the Town of Kindersley communication facility for that purpose. As always, the meeting will be available to the public via a live broadcast by YouTube (@Town of Kindersley), Website (Kindersley.ca > Council > Council Meetings > Live Streams), or Access 7 Television (a few days later). Members of Council and any required staff not in attendance, or any required members of the public will be calling in to the meeting via a dedicated phoneline established in Council Chambers. CAO Hebert will be in attendance for the meeting. Members of Council participating by phone shall be deemed to be present at the meeting.
4. Pertinent staff have closely reviewed the Town of Kindersley Emergency Response Plan to ensure it is up to date and maintains the functionality to be adapted to any weather, fire, or health crisis should it be required.

5. CAO Hebert and I remain in contact with emergency service providers including police, fire, and medical teams who have their own protocols in place to maintain the safety of the public and their members.

I applaud our residents and business owners who are adapting so quickly to continue to adhere to the recommendations and orders provided by provincial and federal health organizations. Many have reached out, including concerned residents willing to volunteer time and resources as required as well as the Chamber of Commerce team and others who are determined to assist us to continue “business as usual” wherever possible while ensuring the health of everyone involved.

All of us at the Town thank you for your efforts to date and continue to wish the best to all during this uncertain time.

For up to date COVID-19 information please visit www.kindersley.ca for a list of links.



Mayor Rod Perkins

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