



A Growing Tradition

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Message from Mayor Rob Keffer:
COVID-19 update – April 2, 2020

There have now been 71 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Simcoe-Muskoka, with 17 recovered (including another BWG resident), and no further deaths in the past few days. The total in BWG remains at 7, with 3 recovered, 3 in hospital and one self-isolating at home. The number of cases is expected to continue to rise, particularly from community contact, so please keep practicing preventative measures to protect yourself and others.

I am finally able to share some of the information I have been promising you on a few important topics.

First, we have prepared a webpage with complete details on the use of Town parks, enforcement of regulations including the “five-person rule”, and who to contact to report various types of issues. Immediately after this message is posted, we will share some information on this page or you can visit our website: <https://bit.ly/2UBZUIA>. If you have questions that you think should be added to the FAQ, just let us know.

Second, we have finalized the protocol for public participation in the April 7 Council meeting, including Open Forum, Deputations or Public Meetings: <https://bit.ly/2R9Dnuy>

As you will see, there are a number of guidelines for participating during an official Council meeting, so this is not the ideal forum for asking questions related to the current COVID-19 pandemic or how the Town is responding. Because of that, we are organizing a virtual Public Town Hall to take place within the next week or so. At the Town Hall, I will be joined by officials from various levels of government and local health authorities in a videoconference – you can watch online or listen in on your phone, and you will be able to ask questions to be answered live. Complete details on the date, time, and methods of participation will be provided soon.

Finally, I wanted to let you know that our Office of Economic Development is maintaining a database of businesses that are open during the pandemic to serve essential needs like food delivery and provision of groceries and other requirements. You can click here to visit the page <https://bit.ly/2WWNkyT> and if you are a business owner who would like your business information added to this list (or you see any information that needs to be updated) please contact ecdev@townofbwg.com.

Thank you all for your patience and cooperation as we work to navigate the challenges this pandemic has wrought on our community.

Best,
Rob Keffer