

Message from Mayor Rob Keffer:

October 30, 2020

While the COVID-19 situation continues to be a pressing issue, right now our immediate concern is for the wellbeing of missing youth Siem Zerezhgi. If you have not already done so, I encourage you to follow the advice of local police by checking your property thoroughly for any signs that he may have been there, as well as your security camera footage. He was last seen walking northbound along Longview Drive at 7:45 a.m. on Saturday, October 24, wearing grey pants with an orange stripe down the side (see photo). Of course, he could have travelled in any direction after that so please check your property and recordings, no matter where you live. The Town has checked all of our parks and properties and reminds anyone who owns commercial or other property in Town to also check those areas.

We have checked in with Siem's family via South Simcoe Police, and both they and the police thank everyone who has offered to provide assistance, but assure us that they have everything they need right now in terms of direct support. Your most important contribution right now is to be on the lookout and to share any information, no matter how small, either directly with South Simcoe Police at 905-775-3311 or via Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477. If anyone in your family knows Siem and knows anything about his habits or activities that would be very valuable information.

I would be remiss if I didn't address the 19 active cases of COVID-19 currently in BWG, and the heightened need to take precautions. Once again, the province and Health Unit recommend restricting your interactions with people outside your own household and wearing a mask in indoor public places and any time physical distancing is difficult. I know that the messaging is becoming tiresome but it is no less essential that we take action to limit the spread and protect ourselves and our loved ones.

Best,  
Rob Keffer

