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The Municipality of Sioux Lookout Responds to Province-wide ‘Emergency Brake’

Sioux Lookout, ON – The Province of Ontario has issued a province-wide emergency brake in response to an alarming surge in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations across the province. Effective Saturday, April 3, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., for a minimum four-week period (or at least until April 30th), the Municipality of Sioux Lookout is following the guidance provided by the Northwestern Health Unit on what measures need to be taken for everyone’s safety.

The Municipality would like to inform residents of the following changes to its operations, effective 12:01 a.m. Saturday, April 3, 2021:

- **The following Municipal facilities** will be **CLOSED** to walk-in traffic:
 - The Recreation Centre and Gymnasium – *except for vaccination clinics*
 - The Municipal Office (*phones and email will be monitored*)
 - The Public Works Garage (*phones and email will be monitored*)
 - The Fire Hall (*phones and email will be monitored*)
 - The Airport Administration Building (*phones and email will be monitored*)
- **The following Municipal facilities** will remain **OPEN** to the public:
 - The Airport Terminal Building
 - The Hidden Lake Landfill Site (Dump)
 - The Biidaaban and Sioux Mountain Children’s Centres
 - Outdoor parks, greenspaces, and recreation facilities
 - *with physical distancing being observed*

With offices being closed, **2020 burning permits** will remain valid until a 2021 permit can be purchased. More information on burning permits, including a downloadable application form (available on April 5, 2021) is available online at <https://www.siouxlookout.ca/en/living-here/burning-permits.asp>. Payments can be made by cash or cheque and left in the drop-box at the Municipal Office.

Please remember to follow these measures during the province-wide emergency brake order:

- **Always stay home** if you have symptoms
- **Physically distance**, by staying two meters apart from people you don't live with
- **Wear a mask or face covering** in indoor public spaces
- **Avoid non-essential travel**
- **Limit close contact** to members of your household and stay at least two meters apart from everyone else
- **Do not visit any other household or allow visitors in your home.**
- **Only go out for essential reasons**, such as work, school, groceries, pharmacy, health care, helping vulnerable people, or exercise and physical activity

Staff will continue to monitor phone lines and email, and will respond to inquiries and concerns from the public in a timely manner.

We thank you for your patience and support as we continue to protect the health and safety of our employees and our community.

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