



Town of Botwood – COVID-19

March 18, 2020

Circumstances around COVID-19 continue to change rapidly, updated information and advice is released daily by other levels of government and their agencies. The Town of Botwood is supportive of the efforts of the Government of Canada, the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, Regional Health Authorities, and other agencies. These are difficult times and we must all do our part to stop the effects of COVID-19.

The Town of Botwood is committed to protecting the health and safety of our employees, residents, and community. Effective immediately the Town will focus on providing essential core services. The following services will continue with minimal disruption:

- Snow-Clearing Services.
- Water and Sewer Operations.
- Curbside Garbage Collection.
- Fire Protection Services and other Emergency Response Situations.
- Urgent Road Maintenance and other Public Safety Matters.
- Tax Payments can be sent by mail, through telephone banking, online banking, or by ATM (all deadlines and rates remain unchanged as per the adopted 2020 Tax Structure Document).

All municipal buildings are now closed to the general public – this includes the Town Hall, Public Works Depot, Fire Hall, and the Harry Ivany Arena. The Waste Transfer Site shall cease operation effective close of business March 18th. With the exception of monthly Council meetings, all Town-related meetings and gatherings will be suspended. Monthly Council meetings will be closed to the general public on a go forward basis. These measures shall remain in effect until further notice.

Town staff will be available by telephone and email during regular working hours (Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm). Individuals may be able to schedule in-person appointments for urgent and critical matters – simply call ahead or email for available times (please see contact information below or check our website).

In line with recommendations from public health officials, residents are advised to stay home. When in public people should follow social-distance practices and limit their time away from home - only venture out for important reasons. People are also asked to check on their neighbours and offer assistance when appropriate. We all have a shared responsibility to protect our community and residents at this vulnerable time.

The Town of Botwood will continue to keep residents informed through our website as well as through other social media channels such as Twitter and Facebook.

Contact Information -

Website - <http://www.botwoodnl.ca>

General Email – botwoodtowncouncil@nf.aibn.com

Town Hall, General Inquiries – 709-257-2839

Other Phone Numbers

Public Works Depot – 709-257-3212 (Daytime)

Public Works Lead Hand - 709-486-3212 (Cell)

Mayor Scott Sceviour – 709-486-3033 (Cell)

Town Manager Stephen Jerrett – 709-631-6797 (Cell)