

Town of South Bruce Peninsula

June 16, 2020

315 George Street, PO Box 310, Wiarton ON N0H 2T0

Covid-19 Update
Municipal Services

Town Hall is allowing public entry for essential business only. Visitors will be screened prior to entry. The Town Hall washrooms remain closed to the public.

The Ross Whicher Centre, the Wiarton Arena, the Sauble Beach Community Centre, the two Fire Stations remain closed to the public at this time.

Building Department

The Building Division is accepting building permit applications by email: [Tara Davis](#) or [Suzy Richardson](#); mail; or drop box located at Town Hall (315 George St entrance).

Payments for permits of cheque or cash can be mailed or dropped in the drop box at Town Hall. Arrangements can be made for debit payment at Town Hall if required.

At this time, building inspections are being completed in open air situations. We ask that social distancing is practiced while the Building Inspector is on site.

[Forms](#) can be found online.

Community Services

Bluewater Park Campground is open to seasonal campers at this time. Please email [Karen Neerhof](#) or contact by telephone 519-534-1400 ext. 132 for more information.

Bluewater Park Pool is closed for the 2020 season.

Playgrounds, splash pad, and exercise equipment remain closed at this time under the Provincial order.

By Law

Dog tag application [forms](#) can be found online. Forms and payment of cash or cheque can be mailed or dropped off at Town Hall. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope. Early bird rates are in effect until June 30, 2020.

Public Works

Permit applications are accepted by emailing [Karen Cameron](#); mail; drop box at Town Hall. [Forms](#) can be found online. Payments of cheques or cash can be mailed or dropped in the drop box at Town Hall (315 George St entrance). Arrangements can be made for debit payment at Town Hall if required.

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Garbage and Recycling

Curbside garbage and recycling collection pick up continue.

The Amabel Landfill is open Monday 10am to 2 pm, Tuesday to Saturday 8:30am to 12 noon and 1pm to 5pm.

Blue Boxes are for sale at Town Hall, please contact 519-534-1400 to arrange purchase and payment

Clerk's Department

The Clerk's Department is available to process marriage licenses, burial permits, commissions, taxi licenses and lottery licenses. For all other services, please email [Cherry Wyonch](#) or [Angie Cathrae](#). For telephone inquiries, please contact Cherry 519-534-1400 ext. 120 or Angie 519-534-1400 ext. 122.

Council meetings continue with attendance by the public limited in order to ensure social distancing. We thank you for your patience.

Finance Department

Tax, utility, and receivable payments can be made through online and telephone banking, at your financial institution, by drop box at Town Hall, mail, or [credit card](#).

Taxation

Tax Certificates will be accepted by fax or email request to [Debbie Coady](#). There is a fee of \$60.00 per roll number or \$120.00 if required within 48 hours.

If you need to cancel or defer your upcoming monthly pre-authorized tax payment, please email [Debbie Coady](#) with your roll number and property location.

Penalties on 2020 property taxes have been suspended for 90 days from the original due date. See our [April 9, 2020 Press Release 11](#).

Water and Sewer Billing

Final water meter read requests and Water Certificate requests will be accepted by fax or email only to [Tracey Collins](#). There is a fee of \$60.00 or \$120.00 if required within 48 hours for water certificates.

If you need to cancel your monthly pre-authorized water and sewer payment, please email [Tracey Collins](#)

Penalties on water and sewer billing have been suspended for 90 days past the original due date for the billing cycles. See our [April 9, 2020 Press Release 11](#).

Emergency Services

Fire permits, reports and inspections may be requested and obtained electronically from [Hailey Leigh-Mossley](#) or contacting 519-534-1400 ext.136.

As we start to re-open, businesses across Ontario are having to rethink their spaces to address physical distancing and other responses to COVID-19.

If you are directing the flow of customers through your establishment, rearranging office furniture, or making any change to the physical space in your business, The Town of South Bruce Peninsula Emergency Services Department would like to remind you to keep fire safety top of mind.

Your new space needs to conform to all of the existing requirements for safe emergency exit under the Ontario Fire Code. In general, make sure:

- Fire alarm systems, portable extinguishers and exit signs are inspected and tested as required;
- Aisles, hallways, exits and stairwells are clear of obstructions;
- Where applicable, aisles widths are adequate to ensure safe distancing and safe exiting can be accomplished; and,
- Exit doors are unlocked and accessible from inside the building.

If you have any questions about how the Fire Code requirements apply to your business or want to check that your new space is “fire safe,” please contact us!

Economic Development

Business Support

Economic Development is here to support our local businesses community. Businesses can visit The [Bruce County Economic Task Force](#) page for a list of resources including Covid-19 Grants for business.

Pre-consultation applications can still be made electronically by emailing the [pre-consultation form](#) and site plan to [Danielle Edwards](#).

Email [Danielle Edwards](#) or telephone 519-534-1400 ext. 148 for more information.