



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### The Corporation of the Town of Marathon Pandemic Planning **COVID-19 Update – Marathon Outdoor Recreation Amenities**

**MARATHON, ON; May 19, 2020** – The Town of Marathon remains diligent in monitoring the situation as it pertains to COVID-19. We continue to evaluate all Public Health Agency communications as well as communications from other Federal and Provincial Government Health Authorities. The health and well-being of our residents is of great importance.

The Emergency Control Group met today and reviewed the latest information provided by the Province regarding Outdoor recreational re-openings with restrictions. Based on this information, the following decisions have been made:

- Benches and picnic tables in all areas will be open to the public starting May 20.
- The Skate Park and outdoor rink/basketball courts will be open starting May 20.
- Dyer's Field will be open to the public starting May 20 with groups of no larger than five (5) people using it at one (1) time in effect. Dugouts will remain closed.
- The tennis courts will be open to the public starting May 20 (previously May 21).

Any person who uses these Town amenities must maintain physical distancing of at least two (2) metres from any other person (unless from the same household.)

Playgrounds and equipment will remain closed for public use for the time being. The public is strongly urged to visit the Town of Marathon website and Facebook page to read the posted guidelines and best practices for each recreation area.

“With the warmer weather we are experiencing, the lifting of some restrictions will allow families and individuals to get out and enjoy our many outdoor amenities. But it is still very important that the public takes everyday steps to keep themselves safe such as physical distancing. The well-being of our residents is always our first priority.” Mayor Rick Dumas.

For more information, please contact the Municipal office during the regular business hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm at 229-1340; after hours 229-6125. We encourage our residents to visit our Municipal website ([www.marathon.ca](http://www.marathon.ca)) and Municipal Facebook page for updated information.

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