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**The Corporation of the Town of Marathon Pandemic Planning  
COVID-19 – New Municipal Facility Closures**

**MARATHON, ON; December 22, 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.

Based on the Province-wide COVID-19 shutdown guidelines issued on December 21, 2020, effective Thursday, December 24, 2020, the following Municipal facilities will be closed to the Public and will remain closed until Saturday, January 9, 2021:

- Marathon Arena
- Port Hole Pool
- Lakeview Community Hall including the Bowling Alley, Senior's Centre, and all Committee rooms

Town Hall and Municipal Office will close at 11:45 a.m. on December 24, 2020, and will remain closed until January 11, 2021.

All active recreation memberships will be granted a two (2) week extension.

The Waste Transfer Station will maintain normal operating hours but will be closed on Boxing Day – December 26. **Residents are encouraged to buy bag tags this week at the Town Hall or the Recreation complex during regular operating hours.**

Additionally, based on the provincial guidelines, the following facilities will be available for public use:

- Marathon Cross Country ski trails and snowshoe trails
- Penn Lake Park and skating trail
- Stevens Avenue outdoor rink

The Municipality will continue to closely monitor the situation and will provide updates to the community when new information is available to us from the Province of Ontario.

“At this time, we must take the lead from the Province and follow their guidelines which includes the closure and restriction of some businesses and facilities. Learning from our own recent community experiences, we know how important it is to adhere to guidelines to ensure health and wellness. This includes physical distancing, good hand hygiene, and staying home unless it is necessary to go outside for essential services. And finally, let's be kind and respectful to each other given that it is the holiday season.” Mayor Rick Dumas.

For more information, please contact the Municipal office during regular business hours 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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