

Town of Neepawa - May 29, 2020

Statement #14

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

In accordance with Manitoba's Restoring Safe Services Phase 2, we are pleased to provide the following updates on a variety of Town facilities and programs:

<u>Civic Administration Building – Municipal Office & Neepawa Area Planning District:</u>

- Reopen to Public Monday, June 1st with modified hours 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.
- Individuals entering the building MUST sanitize their hands upon entry and MUST adhere to Physical Distancing protocols.
- Limit of three individuals in the front reception at any one time.
- Public is encouraged, as much as reasonably possible to direct inquiries via telephone or email; to continue payment using remote options available; and making appointments if required.

Town Council Meetings:

- Meetings will continue to be held in public forum in the Council Chambers with the room set up in a fashion that ensures compliance with physical distancing requirements.
- Council members may attend in-person or electronically.
- Meetings will continue to be taped and aired publicly on NACTV.

Day Camp:

- Offering afternoon programming Tuesdays and Thursdays in June, maximum 8 children.
- Regular Day Camp program being planned for July & August, maximum 16 children.
- Families will be provided with written Guidelines to be followed regarding food, physical distancing, staying home if ill, hand washing/sanitization along with all other Provincial Health Guidelines.
- Children and guests will be screened upon arrival each day using the Provincial Screening Tool.

Town Parks and Riverbend Campground:

- **Campground** opens June 1st with limited sites. Reservations are required; Manitoba residents only; all campers will be screened upon arrival using the Provincial Screening Tool. For further guidelines, please see information posted May 6th, call the campground or the Town Office.
- Washrooms located at Lions Riverbend Campground (Campers only) and the Riverbend Park Canteen Building (Public) will be open effective Monday, June 1st.
 - Washroom access must be limited to one household at a time, or no more than two persons from different households.
 - Physical distancing will apply, both within the building and while waiting in line, with the exception of immediate family members or caregivers assisting persons in their care.
 - o Persons using the washroom facility must follow proper handwashing and hygiene procedures.
 - o Enhanced cleaning/disinfection protocols will be enacted to protect the public.
 - Campers are encouraged to firstly consider using bathroom and shower facilities in their trailers or recreational vehicles as much as reasonably possible, to limit the use of the public facility.
- Remaining Public Washrooms Washrooms at The Flats and the individual washrooms at Riverbend (2) and Park Lake (1) will remain locked and unavailable for use at this time.
- Parks Use General As previously posted, no reservations permitted; use at own risk; follow all Provincial Health Guidelines; limited public washroom availability as noted above; all garbage is to be taken with you and disposed of properly.
- Playgrounds Equipment not sanitized, use at own risk adhereing to all Provincial Health Guidelines.
- Basketball Courts Courts remain closed at this time, and barriers will remain in place to prevent use.

Swimming Pool:

- Pool will TENTATIVELY open on Monday, June 8th, for a trial period to ensure we can meet all Provincial Public Health Guidelines and ensure that the public is adhering to all requirements.
- A full listing of requirements will be posted in the coming days. Below are a few highlights:
 - Capacity of pool is capped at 90 bathers.
 - o All users will be screened upon arrival each day using the Provincial Screening Tool.
 - o Drop-ins are discouraged please pre-book by calling the pool. Cashless payment preferred.
 - All users must utilize home washrooms, and shower & change at home prior to arrival; and be prepared to leave immediately following session – changeroom use will not be permitted.
 - o Washrooms will be available only in extenuating circumstances, upon staff notification.
 - o One entrance in and one exit out for all users.
 - o Children 12 & under MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian during Public Swim times.
 - Non-swimmers will not be permitted within the fenced area (unless required) all visitors, parents, guardians are to physically distance and view from outside the fenced area.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we work through these unprecedented times; and we ask that you continue to keep our community safe and healthy by following ALL guidelines.