

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **THE TOWN OF KAPUSKASING** **REOPENS MUNICIPAL SERVICES ON MONDAY JULY 20, 2020**

**KAPUSKASING, ONTARIO, July 17, 2020** ---The Town of Kapuskasing is taking precautionary measures to safely reopen its municipal buildings and resume services for the public . Effective Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 the municipal office such as the Civic Centre will be reopening to the public and will have new restrictions to keep staff and the public safe amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

A number of changes will be in place including enhanced cleaning, measures to ensure physical distancing as well as sanitization measures to limit the spread of the virus and protect members of the public and staff.

In accordance with the Stage 3 Framework for reopening our Province, the Town of Kapuskasing would like to advise of the following reopening of municipal services.

**Civic Centre:** Behind the counter services will resume on Monday July 20, 2020. Screening at the main reception desk is mandatory and staff will direct public access only if necessary. This includes Building and Planning Services, Treasury and Administration Offices.

Services offered at the Town Hall include:

- Tax & Water Payments, Marriage licenses, parking permits, commissioner of oaths and licensing. Please note that we currently **do not accept CASH Payments.**
- Inspections & enforcement for permits, parking, and property standards.
- In person committee meetings.
- Room Rentals at the Civic Centre are currently **not available.**

Tax and Water Payments are also accepted via the dropbox located at the front and back entrances of the Civic Centre, mail, online banking or through the Pre-Authorized Payment Plan. Call us at 705-335-2341 for more information.

**Parking:** Pay & Display Units will be operational starting Monday July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Provincial Court:** Please visit the following link for updated information on court appearances and dates <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/ocj/covid-19/>

**Donat Brousseau Pool:** Remains closed until further notice

**Sports Palace:** Remains closed until further notice

**Golden Age Centre:** Remains closed until further notice

**Kapuskasing Public Library:** Reopens on Monday July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Visit their facebook page “The Kapuskasing Public library / La Bibliothèque publique” for more information

**Welcome Centre:** Open by appointment.

**Kapuskasing Airport:** Open for current operations

**Public Works Building:** Open for public access.

**Kapuskasing Fire Department:** Open by appointment and will respond to 911 emergencies as usual

### **Riverside Park and Playgrounds**

The Town of Kapuskasing has reopened parks, playgrounds, sports fields, ball diamonds as part of its phased-approach to re-opening. There are safety measures in place to limit the spread of COVID-19.

- Sports field, ball diamonds and outdoor public courts are open to the public please adhere to phase 3 guidelines.
- Riverside Park: Benches, picnic areas, play structures, swings, slides and shelters are also open.
- Playgrounds: Play structures, swings, slides are open to the public.
- Splash Pad: Open Monday to Friday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Please stay informed and protect yourself and others by following proper hand washing and coughing hygiene and refrain from visiting if you experience any symptoms. We encourage you to visit our Facebook Page and website to stay informed

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