

UPDATE MARCH 25, 2020

At the time of writing this EBLAST there were no confirmed coronavirus cases in the Township of Muskoka Lakes or the Town of Bracebridge, but nevertheless, the virus has had a substantial impact on individuals and families, on livelihood and health, on the availability of government, medical and business services, and staples such as food and medical supplies.

Mid-March, the federal government strongly advised all Canadians outside of the country to return immediately. For seasonal residents that consider Muskoka their home in Canada, this return, in most cases, is much earlier than planned. In addition, the towns in Muskoka have a seasonal cadence that guides the upswing in services and supplies each spring, and both the Mayor of Bracebridge and the Mayor of the Township of Muskoka Lakes have asked all residents - permanent and seasonal - to be aware of potential shortages and to be respectful of the needs of others as well as of themselves. They have also taken the time to acknowledge the efforts of so many, from emergency and healthcare workers, to front line staff, who are risking their own safety to provide essential services.

This EBLAST includes messages from the Mayors noted above and links to websites with information regarding the availability of local services. We wish you and your family good health going forward and hope that the long summer days ahead will bring joy and peace of mind.

Sincerely,  
Leonard Lake Stakeholders Association



### **Coronavirus Update - March 23rd, 2020**

*Gord Roberts, our local Councillor for the Township of Muskoka Lakes (TML) and Leonard Lake resident, recently shared the note below with information and links to a recent video of the TML Mayor, Phi Harding, speaking about the Coronavirus and Muskoka, and to the TML "COVID-19 Information and Updates".*

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Hello - I pray that you, your family and friends remain healthy and continue adherence to the Federal, Provincial and Ontario Ministry of Health Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19) guidelines and recommendations.

Late this afternoon, Mayor Phil Harding released an excellent Covid-19 Muskoka update. For your convenience, I have provided a link to this update, <https://www.muskokalakes.ca/en/residents/covid-19-novel-coronavirus.aspx#Mayors-Updates>

If you have not done so already, I encourage you to look at the Township of Muskoka Lakes web site that contains information on the Covid-19 virus and links to very pertinent details, <https://www.muskokalakes.ca/en/residents/covid-19-novel-coronavirus.aspx> . The Ministry of Health link provides a Covid-19 self-assessment tool.

*The best quote I heard today was "the virus does not move, people move it! We stop moving, the virus stops moving and the virus dies, it's that simple".*

Sincerely,

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The Mayor of Bracebridge (Graydon Smith) speaks on the effect that the coronavirus has had on services, businesses and medical resources within the Town of Bracebridge and offers advice to the early influx of seasonal residents.

<https://www.facebook.com/townbracebridge/videos/207811870489361/>

For information regarding government services availability in the Town of Bracebridge click <https://www.bracebridge.ca/en/live-here/coronavirus--covid-19--information.aspx#>



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