

January 15, 2021

Changes to Municipal Services Resulting from the Provincewide Shutdown

Effective Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., the government issued a stay-at-home order requiring everyone to remain at home with exceptions for essential purposes, such as going to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care services, for exercise or for essential work. This order and other new and existing public health restrictions are aimed at limiting people's mobility and reducing the number of daily contacts with those outside an immediate household. The order is in effect until February 11, 2021 and may be extended.

Due to the provincewide shutdown, we have had to make service delivery changes. These changes are highlighted below. Please keep an eye on our website www.eastferris.ca and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/eastferris> for any further updates.

Municipal Office:

- Closed to in-person service in accordance with the Province's directive for employees to work remotely, with limited exception.
- Telephones will be answered Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - (705) 752-2740
- Staff are available for electronic meetings
- Staff will be checking voicemail regularly – email communication is preferable
 - Contact information: <https://eastferris.ca/en/contact-us>
- Documents can be dropped off at the municipal office using the front door mail slot or the Library drop box next to the municipal office building.

Building Department & Permits:

- **Most** construction projects are not permitted to take place except for those that were permitted before lockdown or projects deemed essential by the Province. For that reason, the Building Department will not be issuing permits for non-essential construction (Province's directive).
 - For a list of permitted construction, see page 23 of the <https://files.ontario.ca/moh-enhanced-provincewide-shutdown-en-2021-01-12-v3.pdf>
- In the meantime, the Building Department will receive and review applications and prepare permits so that permits can be issued once non-essential construction projects can proceed.

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Planning Department:

- Accepting applications:
 - Documents can be dropped off at the municipal office using the front door mail slot or the Library drop box next to the municipal office building.

East Ferris Community Centre:

- Closed – unable to open due to Provincial protocols
- Unfortunately, due to the Provincial lockdown and the uncertainty of when rink operations will resume ice rentals are cancelled for the remainder of the season (arena and curling rink).

Landfill Site:

- No change to operating hours – Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Face coverings are mandatory to access the landfill site
- Limited number of vehicles inside the gates at one time
- Only attend the landfill site if necessary

Outdoor Rink:

- Closed – unable to open due to Health Unit directive

East Ferris Public Library:

- Open for curbside pick-up only – Monday to Thursday 12:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. & Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

East Ferris Fitness Centre:

- Closed – unable to open due to Provincewide shutdown.

To learn more about the provincewide shutdown, visit:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/enhancing-public-health-and-workplace-safety-measures-provincewide-shutdown>

Thank you for your cooperation. Stay safe!

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