

**MONTAGUE TOWNSHIP
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE
April 14, 2020 MINUTES**

The Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) meeting was opened at 10:13am on Monday, April 14th, 2020 in Council Chambers by Miles Greer, Fire Chief/CEMC

Members Present:

Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) Miles Greer
Clerk Administrator Jasmin Ralph
Treasurer Andrew Hodge
Administrative Assistant Kristy Warwick
Lead Hand Daryl Hay
Reeve Bill Dobson
Public Information Officer Klaas Van Der Meer

Members Absent:

Public Works Manager Jamie McCarthy

The meeting was held to assess the evolving COVID-19 situation.

Review of the Minutes from the previous meeting:

The EOC reviewed the minutes and noted the following updates:

- The EOC discussed the boat launch on Rideau River Road. The EOC discussed setting up barricades at the boat launch to prevent the use of the launch – noted that the prevention of the use of waterways is to keep capacity for emergency services available.
- Clerk Administrator J. Ralph will be reviewing the use of Rosedale Hall with the Health Unit so that the septic issues would not prevent it being used for additional capacity for health services.
- CEMC M. Greer will continue to try and reach out the Rideau River Road Campground.
- Clerk Administrator J. Ralph reviewed an approach to building permit issuance stemming from the essential services order issued on April 4th, 2020 developed based on legal advice and in consultation with area CBOs. The group noted that this messaging regarding this item should be available on the Township website.

The following new updates were provided:

The EOC discussed SPARK Ontario volunteer service and agreed that it would be taken to Council for further discussion.

Discussion of the donation of expired N95 masks to the County of Lanark. Chief Greer noted that County CAO Kurt Greaves had reached out to area CAOs to request any excess PPE as the paramedics were running low. Chief Greer had a small box of expired N95 masks that were of use to the paramedics services and donated them late last week.

The Reeve reviewed the PSFH update which can be found on our website under the Covid-19 page.

Note regarding domestic violence calls across the detachment area – The Clerk Administrator noted that the OPP has been reporting an increase in domestic violence calls across the detachment area. Given that domestic violence is usually a higher ‘call for service’ for the Township it was discussed at the EOC to make more resources available on the website for this item.

Chief Greer provided a Fire Department Update and noted that the Township is still under the Lanark County burn ban. Our community is adhering to the ban with only 3 complaint calls received.

The EOC did not declare an emergency at this time. The EOC discussed providing information regarding the emergency checklist on the website.

The EOC will meet Tuesday, April 20th, 2020 at 10:00 am

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 am.