

COVID-19 Information

State of Emergency 

The City of Orillia declared a **State of Emergency** on March 20, 2020 in response to COVID-19 to protect the health and safety of the Orillia community. We are in regular communications with the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, Soldiers' Memorial Hospital and the County of Simcoe Health and Emergency Services regarding COVID-19. Information is changing rapidly. For the most current City of Orillia information, please visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

City Updates as of June 8

Access to City Services

The City of Orillia continues to adapt its processes to provide services to the community during the COVID-19 pandemic. While most City of Orillia operated facilities remain closed to public access at this time, many services are being provided via email, online and by telephone. For more information related to City services affected by COVID-19, please visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

For local health information updates, including information on local COVID-19 cases, visit simcoemuskokahealth.org or call 705-721-7520. For Provincial updates, visit ontario.ca/coronavirus.

Community Assistance Measures Update

On June 4, 2020, the City of Orillia Emergency Management Committee extended the timeframe for the following community assistance measures:

- Waived 2020 property tax penalty and interest through to July 31, 2020, for both residential and businesses.
- Waived 2020 water and sewer penalty and interest through to Sept. 30, 2020, for both residential and businesses.
- Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF) charges are waived for any pre-authorized payment plan until July 31, 2020 (you may still incur charges by your bank).
- Suspension of all water shut-offs due to non-payment of water bills until Sept. 30, 2020.

Event Cancellations Update

All local events must be postponed or cancelled until Aug. 31, 2020. Currently, all City recreation facility permits bookings, both indoor and outdoor, including athletic fields and ball diamonds, remain cancelled until July 5, 2020.

The Orillia Opera House and the Stephen Leacock Museum remain closed to all bookings and shows until Aug. 31, 2020.

For detailed information related to City services, including the Community Assistance Package, visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

Provincial Updates

The City of Orillia continues to follow provincial direction related to business operations within the City. For up-to-date information, please visit ontario.ca/coronavirus.

Emergency Measures By-law

Enforcement measures are in effect through By-law 2020-28 to help protect the health, safety and well-being of Orillia residents. To report emergency order violations, please call the OPP non-emergency number at 1-888-310-1122. You can also contact the City of Orillia COVID-19 Enforcement Hotline at 705-325-2313 (Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. and 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekends) or clerks@orillia.ca. Call volumes to the enforcement line may require you to leave a voicemail. Complaints received will be investigated and addressed based on priority level and resources available. It is critical that 9-1-1 is used for emergencies only. For details on the by-law, visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital Information



Orillia COVID-19 Assessment Centre

Location: Kiwanis Building, Hospital campus **Hours:** 11 a.m.-7 p.m. (Monday-Friday) and 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (Saturday-Sunday).

Donations

You can stay up-to-date with any changes at the assessment centre by visiting: osmh.on.ca/covid-19. If you would like to donate Personal Protective Equipment to the hospital, please contact Lisa Wanamaker at lwanamaker@osmh.on.ca.

Stay Informed

Make sure you receive the latest City of Orillia information by following us on social media. Be sure to subscribe to our newly refreshed YouTube channel to easily access City updates and information.

 **Twitter:** @CityofOrillia

 **YouTube:** @TheCityofOrillia *newly refreshed*

 **Facebook:** @CityOrillia

Orillia Cares

Share a story on social media that made you smile and use the hashtag #OrilliaCares and tag the City of Orillia. We're in this together and we will get through this together.

Reminder: Garage and yard sales are prohibited until July 5.

Stay safe. Shop *local!*

As the economy continues to open up under Provincial guidelines, more businesses are looking to resume operations.

Consumers are encouraged to renew their relationships with their favorite local service providers in a safe manner. Without your support, many local businesses may not survive! Quick facts about why shopping local matters:

- Every dollar spent locally creates \$7 in other local economic activity
- Local businesses support community, charity and sports programs through donations and sponsorships
- Nearly 70 cents of every dollar spent locally, stays local
- Shopping local creates local jobs
- Online retailers like Amazon do NOTHING to support the local economy

Spend your money where it matters most – shop local. To find out how and where to shop locally, please visit shoplocalorillia.ca. Check out the City of Orillia's YouTube Channel for our *Stay Safe. Shop Local* videos.



Community Gardens

The City Of Orillia and Lakehead University have dedicated allotment gardens. There are currently a limited number of small, exclusive-use vegetable garden spaces for persons interested in tending to their own vegetable garden. Allotment gardens work well for individuals or groups with varying schedules and diverse views on gardening. Email parks@orillia.ca or call 705-329-7250 for more information.

Community



Notice

Outdoor Watering Restrictions

The City of Orillia encourages water conservation as one of its main commitments through its Drinking Water Quality Management Policy.

To support water conservation, the City has restrictions in place for water use per the following Water Use By-laws:

1019.9.1 Address - Odd - Even - Alternating

No person shall use municipal water from a hose, pipe, sprinkler or permanent water irrigation system for the purpose of any outside water use including, but not limited to watering lawns or gardens, washing of vehicles, sidewalks or driveways or the filling of swimming pools, except as follows:

- An even numbered address may only use municipal water on even numbered days of the month, between the hours of 5 to 9 a.m. and 5 to 9 p.m.
- An odd numbered address may only use municipal water on odd numbered days of the month, between the hours of 5 to 9 a.m. and 5 to 9 p.m.

For more information, please contact the Environment and Infrastructure Services Department at 705-325-6800 or enviroservices@orillia.ca.

1019.9.2 General - Prohibited - Exemptions

Notwithstanding section 1019.9.1, the use of municipal water from a hose, pipe, sprinkler or permanent water irrigation system for the following purposes shall be exempted:

- Watering of new trees or shrubs during installation and within 24 hours following planting;
- Watering of newly placed sod or seed within 30 days following planting, between the hours of 5 to 9 a.m. and 5 to 9 p.m.
- Watering immediately before and after applying nematodes for grub treatment.

Important Dates

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, June 15, 2020: Council Committee (Closed Session) - 12 p.m.

Monday, June 15, 2020: Annual Orillia Power Corporation Shareholder Meeting – 2 p.m.

Monday, June 15, 2020: Council Committee (Open Session) – 4 p.m.

Monday, June 15, 2020: Regular Council (Immediately following the Council Committee Meeting)

Monday, June 22, June 29 and July 6: No Meetings

In an effort to encourage physical distancing, meetings will be electronic only. Residents are encouraged to watch the meetings on Rogers TV or online. Full agenda packages and the streaming link are available at orillia.ca. For further information contact the Office of the City Clerk at 705-325-1311 or clerks@orillia.ca.

Job Opportunities

Building Inspector (three-year contract)
Development Services and Engineering Department
Closing: June 19, 2020

Probationary Fire Fighters
Fire Department
Closing: July 3, 2020

Please note: Recruitment and interviews are beginning to commence again. Please visit orillia.ca/employment for a list/status of all positions.

Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholder of the Orillia Power Corporation will be held electronically on the 15th day of June 2020 at 2 p.m. The meeting will be recorded and available for public viewing on orilliapower.ca from June 16 – 30, 2020.

Dated at Orillia, Ontario, this 27th day of May 2020
On behalf of the board
Greg W. Gee, Chair

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