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COVID-19 UPDATE #110

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MUNICIPAL UPDATES

Stage 3 Update from Mayor Black – Today, Mayor Doug Black provided a [video update](#) on how Carleton Place is adapting to Premier Ford's Stage 3 Reopening announcement.

Playground Equipment Now Open – The Carleton Place Recreation and Culture Department is excited to announce that municipal playground equipment is now open for public use! We would like to remind you to play & stay safe with the following playground guidelines:

- Stay home if you are ill or have symptoms of COVID-19;
- Wash hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer before and after playing on the playground;
- Ensure you are maintaining a physical distance of six feet/two meters with anyone outside of your household or social circle;
- Refrain from sharing toys with children outside of your household or social circle.

Please note that playground equipment will not be sanitized. Use at your own risk. Please report any vandalism to the Recreation & Culture Department at 613-257-1690.

Fire Department Allows Campfires - Ocean Wave Fire Company has made the decision to lift the fire ban to allow small campfires. Please remember to follow the [Open-air Burn By-law](#). Small campfires must be in a contained device with a water source close by to extinguish the fire. Please monitor wind and weather conditions to be respectful of your neighbors.

If you have any questions regarding the by-law, please contact 613-257-5526



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Special Meeting of Council - There will be a [Special Meeting of Council](#) at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21st, 2020 to hear a presentation from Jim Bell Architectural Design Inc on the draft architectural plans and preliminary cost estimate for the Carleton Place Public Library Interior Renovation Project. Council will also receive an update and staff recommendation on how to proceed with the Central Bridge and Downtown Reconstruction Project tendering process. The meeting will be streamed via [Zoom](#) and to the [Town's facebook page](#).

Carleton Place Public Library to Open for Stage 3 on Tuesday, July 21st - The Library Board and staff are pleased to announce the library will open for Stage 3 services on Tuesday, July 21st. This means full access to browse the library collection and access research materials. Physical distancing measures are in effect, meaning that some areas of the library are limited to a few users at one time. All returned materials are being quarantined for 72 hours before being returned to circulation, and items used within the library are disinfected before being re-shelved. An improved curbside pickup service will continue, now without the need to make an appointment for pickup. Expanded hours of service are as follows:

- Monday and Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.,
- Wednesday and Thursday 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

For a full list of new library safety precautions, including details on our Fine Free Summer, please visit www.carletonplacelibrary.ca. We can't wait to welcome you back to your library next week!

FEDERAL UPDATES

[More support for Canadians through the Safe Restart Agreement](#) - Prime Minister Trudeau announced a federal investment of more than \$19 billion to help provinces and territories safely restart their economies and make our country more resilient to possible future waves of the virus.

[Supporting Canadian Workers and Businesses with a redesigned Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) - The Government of Canada is taking immediate, significant and decisive action through Canada's [COVID-19 Economic Response Plan](#) to support Canadians and protect jobs during the global COVID-19 pandemic, and to better position them for a strong recovery. Today Finance Minister Bill Morneau, announced proposed changes to the CEWS that would broaden the reach of the program and provide better targeted support so that more workers



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can return to their jobs quickly as the economy restarts. This support would continue to protect jobs and help Canadian businesses that are the most impacted.

PROVINCIAL UPDATES

Province Takes Steps to Ensure All Ontarians Benefit from Local Research and Innovation

- The Ontario government announced a made-in-Ontario Intellectual Property Action Plan to help ensure the tremendous social and economic benefits of taxpayer-funded research and innovation stays right here in the province. In addition, the government unveiled the second round of research projects approved and supported through the \$20 million [Ontario COVID-19 Rapid Research Fund](#). Through these efforts, researchers will be working to find ways to prevent, detect and treat COVID-19.

OTHER UPDATES

Starter Company Plus - Do you have a business that has been registered 5 years or less? (Priority will be given to existing businesses in this round) Is your business located in Smiths Falls, Lanark County or in the northern part of the United Counties of Leeds Grenville? Are you wishing to receive training and coaching with the potential of obtaining grant funding. You may be in luck! The next round of Starter Company Plus starts August 10th, 2020. Starter Company Plus provides entrepreneurs with business plan training and coaching, plus the chance to be awarded a \$5,000 grant for use within their business. The guidelines and application are now live on our website at <https://smallbizcentre.ca/services/scp/> with a closing date of July 28th at 4:30 p.m. Spaces are limited, so not all applicants will be successful. Applicants will be contacted July 29th or 30th with the successful participants starting the program August 10th (training will be conducted online and take place in the evenings to accommodate those working in their business). Email cjames@smallbizcentre.ca if you have any questions.

Health Unit Heat Warning - Due to high temperatures and humidex levels, Environment Canada has issued a heat warning. A combination of heat and high humidity can be hazardous to your health. Conditions during high heat and humidity have the potential to cause dehydration, heat exhaustion, heat stroke and in some cases death. The Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit is advising the public to monitor the forecast over the next few days and to follow the [list of recommended precautions](#) available on their website. For more information on how to protect your health during extreme heat, visit the [Exposure to Hot/Cold Temperatures page](#). For specific health heat-related questions call 1-800-660-5853 or 613-345-5685.

