



MEDIA RELEASE

2020-07-13 - As the Province begins to reopen, the Township of Essa is gearing up to prepare for the reopening of our facilities and once again offer more services to our residents, while ensuring the health and safety of our residents, visitors and staff members.

Fire Safety

Burn Permits are available for purchase to eligible property owners on the Township's website. Property owners can purchase permits by visiting us online at www.essatownship.on.ca. It has been a hot and dry start to our summer **so please watch for updates relating to Burn Bans** that may take effect.

LINX Transit

As of July 2, 2020, LINX Transit has resumed operations. Please visit www.linx.simcoe.ca for information relating to transit routes and fares, in addition to health recommendations that have been implemented for the health and safety of the users.

Waste Management

COVID-19 has had an impact on the County of Simcoe's waste collections as recycling quantities have increased. The County is reminding residents to break down cardboard recycling and do not place out overflowing bins for pick up. Extra recycling can be placed in clear bags. For more information on waste management please visit www.simcoe.ca/dtp/swm.

Recreation

While play equipment remains closed in our parks; greenspaces, trails, fishing parks and splash pads have reopened for our residents to enjoy. Please remember that social distancing is required - keep a minimum of 2 metres between your family and other park users.

Marriage Licenses / Commissioning Services

Essa has resumed commissioning documents and issuing marriage licenses by appointment only. As a result of COVID-19 health and safety measures for staff and members of the public, at this time one applicant must be a resident of Essa Township, and marriage licenses will only be issued to those whose ceremony date is within 30 days of the license being issued. For more information call 705-424-9917 to speak with someone in the Clerk's Department.

Watering Restrictions

As a reminder to residents, watering restrictions are in place in Essa Township between May 15th to September 30th. Odd numbered houses can water on odd numbered calendar days; Even numbered houses can water on even numbered calendar days. The allowable time(s) for watering is between 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm.