



Chippewas of the Thames First Nation

BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION RÉSOLUTION DE CONSEIL DE BANDE

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DO HEREBY RESOLVE:
DECIDE, PAR LES PRESENTES:

WHEREAS, Chippewas of the Thames First Nation, known as Deshkan Ziibiing, has an Inherent and Aboriginal right with respect to its traditional lands including providing protective measures to ensure the overall health and safety of its citizens, and;

WHEREAS on March 17, 2020 Chippewas of the Thames First Nation officially declared a State of Emergency with respect to the COVID-19 global pandemic crisis, and;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic crisis is an ongoing emergency that requires immediate action to prevent, reduce and mitigate dangers that could result in harm to Chippewas of the Thames First Nation citizens, and;

WHEREAS the First Nation needs to take additional and extraordinary measures to curb the spread of the dangerous and contagious COVID-19 virus into our community, and;

WHEREAS, the First Nation has initiated the Emergency Response Plan to prepare and implement preventative measures relating to the COVID-19 pandemic including social distancing, self-monitoring and other measures deemed appropriate and necessary, and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief and Council acting in the best interest of its citizens and community as the elected governing body of the Chippewas of the Thames First Nation, hereby continues the State of Emergency and authorizes the First Nation to be under the following ENHANCED PRECAUTIONS FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH & PROTECTION.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED; the following directives are in effect immediately:

1. Border security and vehicle registration system will remain in place. Residents (on-reserve citizens and non-citizen residents of Chippewa and Munsee), off-reserve citizens, and employees/affiliates will be offered vehicle stickers. Those Vehicles may still be screened and logged. Emergency vehicles and personnel will be waived through. Other individuals coming to the Nation will be stopped and asked for the purpose of their visit. The borders will be shut down to outside visitors at midnight (12:00 AM)
2. CCG security team will continue to coordinate with neighbouring municipalities to facilitate road closures.
3. Gradual reopening of Administration offices and facilities starting September 8, 2020, starting with inspection of office spaces, and testing of staff for COVID-19. Most services will continue to be provided virtually or over the phone. Other services will be available by appointment only and hours will be reduced to allow for extra disinfecting.
4. Any Administration or Council meetings will be held virtually to avoid physical contact.
5. All recognized on-reserve businesses are encouraged to operate by drive thru and/or pick-up service. If they do allow customers inside the buildings, businesses will have maximum two (2) shoppers inside at any time and must ensure that proper precautionary measures are in place. Shoppers inside the businesses and any waiting outside must be instructed to maintain physical distancing. Businesses must follow the COVID-19 safety checklist provided to them.
6. Physical distancing must still be maintained between those that are not in the same household or bubble - i.e. staying six feet apart. Gatherings of multiple people should be outside or in large, well-ventilated indoor spaces.
7. No large-scale events over 25.
8. When it is not possible to maintain physical distancing, it is recommended to wear face masks or coverings that cover the nose, mouth, and chin. In addition, citizens, residents, staff, and visitors are required to wear face masks in the public areas of administrative buildings and on-reserve businesses. Exceptions apply for those under 12 years of age and for those with medical conditions or disabilities that limit their ability to wear a face mask. Children under the age of 2 should not wear face masks. Further exceptions apply to the Antler River School and the Enji Maajtaawaad Early Years Centre.
9. Outdoor recreational and sports fields are open for use by families but organized and team sports that involve close contact are prohibited. Playground at the ballpark will be open to the public. Parents/guardians are encouraged to ensure proper sanitization before and after use.
10. Residents are encouraged to only leave their homes and the community for essential trips (e.g. work, grocery shopping, medical appointments).
11. Anyone exhibiting possible symptoms is required to notify the Community Health Nurse and will be required to self-isolate until they receive a negative test for COVID-19. Everyone is encouraged to get tested for COVID-19.
12. Citizens and residents are encouraged to remain at home from 10pm to 6am. Checkpoint personnel will block other visitors during those hours.
13. Other precautionary measures in place that are deemed appropriate and necessary will continue.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this directive is directing the local police services and/or other designates to fully enforce this enacted directive to ensure safety and protection of all, and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this directive will be enforced to the fullest extent and any violations will be followed and acted upon decisively, and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this directive will be in force until August 31, 2020, unless rescinded by Council at an earlier date, and may be renewed, and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this directive will be reviewed by Council at any time and additional measures may be added;

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that additional information and updates relating to this resolution and the Emergency Response Plan will continue to be provided to the membership of Chippewas of the Thames First Nation.

Quorum 7

(Chief, Jacqueline French)

(Councillor, Denise Beeswax)

(Councillor, Michelle Burch)

(Councillor, Kodi Chrisjohn)

(Councillor, Adam Deleary)

(Councillor, Beverly Deleary)

(Councillor, Terri Fisher)

(Councillor, Rawleigh Grosbeck)

(Councillor, Kingson Huff)

(Councillor, Warren Huff)

(Councillor, Leland Sturgeon)

(Councillor, Darlene Whitecalf)