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Covid-19

Mayors Message to Delisle.

As we go through this terrible pandemic we as a community and surrounding area are not immune to this virus.

Everyone is at risk, the young as well as the older population. Everyone!!

During this outbreak The Town of Delisle has taken many precautions for your safety as well as the safety of the employees of the Town.

Closing of all of our parks and facilities was the right thing to do.

We cannot take this pandemic lightly. It is evident it is spreading across all of North America, Canada and Saskatchewan. Every community in our Province is at risk of spreading this virus.

We realize there will be many challenges ahead as we go through this time of uncertainty in our lives. With self-isolation and the 2 metre safe distance we have to abide by. I know it is a tough situation to control but we have to do this.

Over the past 7-10 days there have been different individuals who have come back into our community and surrounding area from other parts of the world. They know they must self-isolate/ self-quarantine for 2 weeks and I applaud the people who are following the laws set out by our governments. In saying this there are still people who don't follow the laws in this situation. Over the weekend I have received messages, texts and verbal communication letting me know about people who came back and haven't self-isolated. There are some that have and I thank you once again for this.

I personally don't know who just came back into Delisle but if you do and they are not following the laws then you can contact the RCMP. This is unacceptable and against the law. If you know of any other phone numbers to contact the different authorities please do.

If you live in the surrounding area and came back from out of country this law applies to you also. Stay at home!!

This is the law so people have to abide by it.

We are all in this situation so we all have to act accordingly and do our due diligence by making the phone call not to me but to the authorities.

The second situation that has been brought to my attention on numerous occasions over the past 4-5 days is the amount of teenagers, young adults driving all over town with vehicles full of people. This situation everyone is facing all over Canada and the US. It is the "we don't care" approach from this type of situation. I hope the parents as well as the people involved totally understand when this happens and they come home your whole family, friends and everyone you associate with are being put at risk.

As the weather changes and gets warmer there are many people out walking as well as on their bicycles. We have to be extremely careful whether we are walking, biking and or driving because of the amount of people out. I have also noticed many young kids in groups out on their bikes together. This is a concern for everyone and the parents need to realize this when discussing this pandemic to their families. As this virus evolves and changes the families have to enforce guidelines to their families. This can only be done by the guardian/parents to make sure all people understand.

We are all in this situation and the guidelines and laws are set in place to stop or slow the spread of this virus.

To the younger generations who feel it is safe to get together with your friends, you are totally wrong.

The social gatherings at the ball diamond parking lots and house parties I have heard about have to stop. This puts everyone at risk.

In the situations I outlined here, everyone has to realize if there is an emergency because of these situations which might require the Police, Fire department and or First Responders, they too are being put at risk. We don't want to put anyone at risk because of individual's mindsets or personal opinions.

I would also like to thank all of the people providing essential services in Delisle and area. It does not go unnoticed. The guidelines are set in place for you to provide the essential services required. A lot of people don't realize if we lose our gas stations, convenience stores during this that we have to go to the next closest gas station which could be Saskatoon. Use their services and thank them for staying open as they are at risk also. This is our way of helping out and giving support.

The Fire Department and First Responders in our area I applaud. Your commitment to provide the services is on a daily basis, I don't think you ever get thanked enough. Our full communication and working together is so reassuring for us as a community. Thanks again!!

Only you and I can stop the spread of this virus by being safe, social distancing and self-isolation, When you go around Town you get a chance to see all of the hearts etc, on the windows and doors. This is a great idea and should remind everyone we are all in this together and can show support for the people who are infected with the virus in Canada.

Delisle! Canada!!

Everyone needs to be strong.

We need to abide by the guidelines and laws as they are set in place.

We need to show support to anyone who has contacted this virus.

We need to be positive.

We need to think we are the carrier of this virus.

We need to ensure we are doing our part to stop the spread.

We need to self-isolate and maintain the 2 metre distance if we are out.

Most of all!

We have to be safe because we are only at the beginning of this spread of Covid-19

Be Strong and Safe!!

Dave Anderchek

Mayor of Delisle