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Covid-19 Update

Good morning to all members of BGLEECA. I hope this finds you safe and well.

This will be a very different season on the lake for all of us. As an association, we will do our best to keep you informed of any information or developments affecting Big Gull Lake cottagers, including changes to our regularly scheduled association activities and events.

I am forwarding you this message from the Mayor of North Frontenac in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. With the nicer weather beginning to arrive and the self-isolation that we are all adhering to, the thought of going to the cottage seems to offer a good break from staying at home.

Jim and I went up to the cottage last weekend to get our trailer. Before we left home, we made sure that we had all of the supplies (groceries, hardware, etc.) that we would need at the cottage. We said hello to a neighbour from the road, but other than that we were alone at the cottage and stayed there. We didn't go into town or visit the local grocery store. We stayed put at the cottage. So I urge everyone to follow the Mayor's suggestions below so that everyone can stay healthy and safe.

Take care

Donna Commerford

President

BGLEECA

A message from Mayor Ron Higgins:

Cottagers -

I understand your need to come to your cottages early this year to distance yourself from close quarters in the urban areas due to the COVID-19 outbreak. I would like to ask the following:

- 1 if you are coming to your cottage please self-isolate for 14 days so we can avoid any outbreaks in North Frontenac. This applies to whether you travelled outside Canada or not.
- 2 if you did not bring supplies please ask someone to get you the things you need until your isolation period is over.
- 3 if you do shop for supplies please limit you purchase to get you by for the short term. Some have bought up all the toilet paper at North of 7 because they are caught up in this "panic buying" scenario. It is not fair to not leave supplies for the rest of us.

Businesses - please limit quantities of your produce and products for all customers to ensure supplies are on hand for everyone as needed.

All Residents Seasonal and Full Time - There is no need for any panic at this time, however there is a need for everyone to take this very seriously so we can limit the potential of an outbreak in North Frontenac as much as possible. Please practice distancing and self-isolation as much as possible. This should be easy for us being in a rural area that allows us to walk the woods etc. I have had reports today of people moving to their cottages from Urban areas. Some of whom have travelled outside Canada in the last 14 days. These people are moving freely about the Township. Isolation means stay in your homes or cottages for the 14-day period,

you should not be shopping, going to public venues or going to our waste sites. Please call on neighbours or friends to help you during this time of caution.

The last thing I want to do is put mandatory restrictions in place and request that each and every one practice isolation and social distancing, it is for the protection of us all especially those who have immune deficiencies or other compromising health conditions.

Our website has all the information or links you need to understand what is required or to get information on COVID-19

https://www.northfrontenac.com/en/index.aspx

With your cooperation and help we hopefully prevent a COVID outbreak in North Frontenac.

Mayor Ron Higgins

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