Hi everyone,

I've sure you've all heard the news that City Hall will be opening its doors to the public on a part-time basis beginning next Monday. These reduced hours are temporary and were done to minimize personal contact in the interest of community safety. As things progress, we will explore the option of resuming our normal hours of operation. The new hours will be from 1-4pm Monday to Friday. We still do encourage you to visit City Hall only if absolutely necessary. If you want to pay your bills and can do so through online banking please continue to do so, If you have a question for one of us please call us at 204-681-7511 or email info@flinflon.ca and one of our staff members will be happy to answer your questions as soon as possible.

For those wishing to come into City Hall we have taken every step necessary to ensure your and our city staff's safety both of which are our top priority. Social distancing must be practiced by all, public safety information will be made available on our bulletin boards, hand sanitizing stations will be on site, and Plexiglas windows have been installed at the counter. Further measures may take place depending on the number of visitors we get at once.

As Manitoba steps forward into Phase 2 of our gradual re-opening strategy next Monday, a number of new businesses will be allowed to re-open including but not limited to dine-in restaurants, esthetician services, and gyms. A full detailed list can be found at https://manitoba.ca/asset_library/en/proactive/2020_2021/restoring-safe-services-phase-2.pdf

Businesses will be allowed to re-open Monday but it will be up to individual business owners themselves to assess when and how they plan to open. Some businesses may want to wait a few more days and some may want to open with modified operations. Please let's all be patient and respect which ever directions they wish to take.

I'm proud to say we've reached another week with relatively low COVID-19 active case numbers. This is due to Manitoba and Saskatchewan's quick response time and strict social distancing guidelines. Weather may also play a part in the flattening of the curve but when it's good it also increases the risk with the temptation to socially gather inappropriately.

It is important we continue to remain diligent and stay prepared. We must be mindful that another outbreak later on in the year is a real possibility. As I've mentioned before it is not just physical health that is the challenge it is also mental.

With all that in mind, we're looking forward to opening up our doors to you once again! In the meantime, stay safe, stay strong, and stay healthy Flin Flon!