Hi everyone,

With another week of COVID-19 behind us, it looks like our due-diligence has paid off in granting us some additional freedoms. As of last Wednesday, non-essential items can once again be sold in our region and if all continues to go well, you will be able to get a haircut and eat out as well in the very near future. Some additional loosening will be confirmed on Feb.12.

Case numbers are only on a downward trend because we have been continuously careful in limiting the spread of COVID-19. If we take this loosening of restrictions as a return to normal, it will only be a matter of time before these privileges are taken away once again. With the new freedoms comes the responsibility to do so safely. Please continue to adhere to the fundamentals we know so well.

When you do decide to go shopping, I strongly encourage everyone to shop local. It's another great way to help support our community. Remember that shopping local help keeps our local economy strong which is good for all of us in the long run. Many businesses in town have also adapted and have found new methods to sell you their products and services, all while remaining safe and COVID-19 compliant.

Another positive is some limited access to the vaccine locally. There are struggles with supply but it is happening and things are going to get better.

The light is starting to take on some substance but the tunnel is still long. I will stress that these changes should not cause any shift in attitude towards our current situation.

Hang in there Flin Flon, while I don't have a timeline for you, I can say vaccines are beginning to makes rounds in the north! Until then stay safe, stay strong, and stay healthy Flin Flon.

Mayor Cal Huntley