

## **Transcript of update #2 from Mayor Shantz about COVID-19**

March 28, 2020

Hello,

I want to talk to you again today to update you on where we stand as a community.

You probably heard that on March 25, 2020, Woolwich, along with the Region of Waterloo and other local municipalities declared a state of emergency due to the global COVID-19 pandemic.

This emergency declaration gives the Township authority:

- to take stronger action to protect residents;
- to share resources with other municipalities; and
- to support volunteers who assist with providing critical services if needed.

The emergency declaration also sends a message.

The message is: this is serious.

The message is stay home except for household necessities and essential work.

The message is that, to slow the spread of COVID-19 and protect our health care and emergency workers we need to work together.

I declared this emergency because COVID-19 is circulating across Waterloo Region.

We don't need to be panic;

we need to be careful and follow the directives of our medical Officer of Health.

The more we cooperate, the sooner and the better we will get through this.

Let's take care of each other, let's support each other, and we will get through this together.

Stay safe! Be well!