Dear Woodstock,

As we continue under the current New Brunswick State of Emergency, it goes without saying that we are now living in a different world and that this summer will definitely be different from anything we have ever experienced before. The schedule of festivals and events that have been so much a part of our traditional summer lifestyle is now cancelled, and it appears that large social gatherings will not be permitted before the end of the calendar year.

On behalf members of Woodstock Town Council, the administrative staff and members of our various departments, we want to offer a sincere thank you to all our citizens and businesses for the positive support you have demonstrated and for the sacrifices you have made in order to keep us all safe during this very difficult and trying time. We would also like to acknowledge the tremendous effort of the frontline workers and emergency responders who continue to deliver many important essential services.

Council and administrative staff continue to meet regularly by conference call and electronic communication to do the business of the town. Unfortunately, we do not know how long the current state of emergency will last but preliminary work is now being done to plan for when business starts to recover, and we can get back to our regular family and social events.

We encourage you to visit the Town of Woodstock website www.town.woodstock.nb.ca and the departmental Facebook pages to read our municipal updates. The latest news and official communications from the Chief Medical Officer, the New Brunswick Emergency Measures Organization and WorkSafe NB will be posted.

Stay safe,

Arthur Slipp Mayor