



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**November 15, 2024**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Service impacts due to Canada Post strike**

*Barrie, ON* – Effective today (Friday, November 15, 2024), Canada Post operations have shut down and mail service has stopped, after Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) and Canada Post failed to reach a negotiated settlement. Residents are reminded that they are still obligated to pay tax and water/wastewater bills as well as any fines/infractions by the due date.

To avoid late fees, interruptions, or delays, residents are encouraged to use alternate payment or delivery methods. Sign up for water e-billing by creating an online water billing account & get notified by e-mail when your bill is due—it's fast & easy! Visit [barrie.ca/WaterBilling](http://barrie.ca/WaterBilling).

#### **Other options for paying your water/wastewater and tax bills include:**

- Pay Your Bills Online: Use online banking or an online bill payment service provider.
- In-Person Payments: Visit your bank, Service Barrie (First floor of City Hall – 70 Collier Street) or by dropping off a cheque in the drop boxes located at the front entrance of City Hall (70 Collier Street).
- Pre-authorized Payments: Sign up for pre-authorized payment plans to avoid delays.

#### **Court Services**

Due to the Canada Post labour disruption, please do not mail your payment. Payments can be made on-line at [paytickets.ca](http://paytickets.ca) or by phone. If you wish to request a trial, or submit any other application, please email it or attend in person.

<b>Tickets Starting with 3860</b>	<b>Tickets Starting with 3861</b>
<a href="mailto:POA.Barrie@barrie.ca">POA.Barrie@barrie.ca</a>	<a href="mailto:POA.Orillia@barrie.ca">POA.Orillia@barrie.ca</a>
Tel. 705-739-4291	Tel. 705-326-2960
45 Cedar Pointe Drive Barrie	575 West Street S Unit 10 Orillia

If you are paying an automated speed enforcement ticket fine through [paytickets.ca](http://paytickets.ca) and have received an error message, please try again in seven days from the deemed service date on your ticket.

Payments for parking tickets are accepted [online](#) for a period of 75 days from the date issued.

#### **Stay updated on city notices:**

- Visit [barrie.ca](http://barrie.ca) regularly for the latest updates.
- Follow the City of Barrie on social media.

For further assistance or questions, contact Service Barrie at 705-726-4242 or [ServiceBarrie@barrie.ca](mailto:ServiceBarrie@barrie.ca).

- 30 -

#### **For more information, please contact:**

Scott LaMantia  
Manager of Marketing & Communications  
[Scott.lamantia@barrie.ca](mailto:Scott.lamantia@barrie.ca)  
705-794-0517