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Advisory #76

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

To the Residents of Kingston,

As of 5:00 PM this evening the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) has not released today's data for Plymouth County. **This afternoon the Town of Kingston was informed of 3 additional confirmed positive cases of COVID-19, bringing our total number to 88.** Of the Town's total number of confirmed positive cases, 49 are from one facility. Our Health Agent and Public Safety Officers will continue to monitor these local cases. Due to privacy requirements, the demographics of these cases will remain anonymous.

Kingston's Emergency Management Team met today to discuss the Town's ongoing response to COVID-19. Much of the discussion was focused on the reopening task force's efforts to safely and responsibly return employees to their offices and reopen buildings and facilities to the public. Pursuant to the plan presented by Fire Chief Douglass to the Kingston Board of Selectmen, we are pleased to provide the following update regarding the Town's reopening:

**Animal Control:** Kingston's Animal Control offices remain on-call throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, with limited on-site services. Staff are scheduled to return to their offices on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, and volunteers are tentatively scheduled to return on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Animal Control at (781) 585-0529 with any questions.

**Council on Aging:** Kingston's Council on Aging has remained open for outreach services and meal deliveries throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Transportation services are scheduled to resume on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. The building and related programming will remain closed, pending further guidance from the Commonwealth. Please contact the Council on Aging at (781) 585-0511 with any questions.

**Kingston Harbormaster:** The Ah Dee Nah is open for limited use. Rules for use have been posted throughout the property. The parking lot is closed at 9:00 PM. Shellfishing is open for the season. Additional information regarding shellfishing licenses can be found online at <https://bit.ly/3eqDOJU>. Please contact the Kingston Harbormaster at (781) 585-0519 with any questions.

**Library:** The Kingston Public Library has maintained digital services and programming throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The building will remain closed to the public through June 29<sup>th</sup>, with curbside pickup services beginning on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please contact the Kingston Public Library at (781) 585-0517 with any questions.

**Recreation Department:** Staff are scheduled to return to their offices on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Gray's Beach Park is currently open with restrictions and limited amenities. Rules for use have been posted throughout the

property. Athletic fields will remain closed, pending further guidance from the Commonwealth. Please contact the Kingston Recreation Department at (781) 585-0533 with any questions.

**Schools:** Please visit [www.slrsd.org](http://www.slrsd.org) for information relating to the Silver Lake Regional School District.

**Town House:** Staff are scheduled to return to their offices on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. The building will open to the public by appointment on June 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to schedule an appointment to meet with staff in the building, please call the appropriate department to make those arrangements. Department phone numbers will be posted on the doors, and can be found at [www.kingstonmass.org](http://www.kingstonmass.org). If visiting the Town House, please adhere to the posted rules and traffic flow signage.

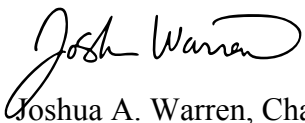
This information will be posted on the Town's website. All dates are subject to change, so we ask for your continued patience.

Yesterday at 10:30 AM PACTV aired a COVID-19 Update for the Town of Kingston. The program featured Fire Chief Mark Douglass and Facilities Manager Brad Norman, two members of the Town's reopening task force. Brad and Mark spoke to the work they are doing to safely reopen Town buildings and properties, in a manner that is consistent with the Governor's Orders. The program will be rebroadcast on Kingston's Government channels (Comcast 15 and Verizon 42) and has been linked on the Town's website.

Due to COVID-19, Kingston's Memorial Day Parade was cancelled. In lieu of a parade, Kingston's Memorial Day Parade Committee laid wreaths at each of Kingston's war memorials, and organized a small ceremony on the lawn of the Town House. The ceremony will be rebroadcast on Kingston's Government channels (Comcast 15 and Verizon 42) in the coming days. The program has been shared online and is available at: <https://youtu.be/DzdEMBfQ3KY>.

As Kingston's Emergency Management Team shifts its focus from responding to the initial impacts of COVID-19 on the Town of Kingston, to supporting the efforts of the reopening task force in reopening Town buildings and facilities, we will be shifting to releasing advisory letters such as this on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Thank you for your continued efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19,



Joshua A. Warren, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen