

Town of EAST KINGSTON, NH

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
MARCH 19, 2020

In response to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Town of East Kingston has taken the following temporary actions listed below by department. These temporary measures will be in effect, at a minimum, through April 6, 2020 to ensure the safety and health of the East Kingston community. Please look out for future releases and notifications as this is a very dynamic situation and information is continuing to develop.

BUILDING INSPECTOR:

Services may be obtained by appointment only. Please contact John Moreau at 603 642-8406 ext. 3 or by cell phone at (603) 770-6818.

FIRE DEPARTMENT and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

- **All Emergencies, please dial 911:**

The East Kingston Fire Department Building is closed to the public until further notice. Services may be obtained by:

- 1) NON-EMERGENCY PHONE (603) 642-3141
- 2) US Mail—PO Box 171, East Kingston, NH 03827
- 3) Fire Department Email – ewarren@eastkingstonnh.gov
- 4) Emergency Management Email – chelly7775@comcast.net

Please note, the Fire Department and Emergency Management Department will be responding as normal and no interruption is expected.

Few other items to make a note of involving the Fire Department:

- School lunch program will continue as long as it is needed and any changes to the current system will be communicated to the public as the information is made available.
- Permits and inspections are suspended until further notice.
- Burn permits can still be obtained on line.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE/WELFARE:

- Dial 211 to be directed to Statewide services
- For matters beyond Statewide aid, email bmerrow@eastkingstonnh.gov

LIBRARY

Library is currently closed and further updates can be obtained from the following website:

www.eastkingstonlibrary.org

Services may be obtained by either of the following:

- Email in a request to ekpublib@comcast.net
- Call (603) 642-8333 (speak to staff or leave a message)

PLANNING BOARD:

Regularly scheduled meeting for Thursday, March 19, 2020 has been CANCELLED. Web conferencing platform may be employed at the next meeting in March. More information will be forthcoming and posted prior to meeting.

Office is closed to walk-in service. Services are available:

- 1) US Mail 24 Depot Road, East Kingston, NH 03827
- 2) Phone (603) 642-8406 ext. 4
- 3) Email Joshua Bath - jbath@eastkingstonnh.gov
Or
Tim Allen - timallenekplanningboard@gmail.com

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- **All Emergencies, please dial 911**

For all non-emergency matters, the East Kingston Police Department Building is closed to the public until further notice. Services may be obtained by:

- 1) NON-EMERGENCY PHONE (603) 642-5427
- 2) US Mail—3 Bowley Road, East Kingston, NH 03827
- 3) Email – mlepage@eastkingstonnh.gov

Please note, the Police Department will be responding as normal and no interruption is expected.

ROAD AGENT:

- 1) US Mail 24 Depot Road, East Kingston, NH 03827
- 2) Phone (603) 642-8406 ext. 5 or (603) 235-5684 cell
- 3) Email bmerrow@eastkingstonnh.gov

SELECTBOARD'S OFFICE:

Office is closed to the public and all walk-in service has been suspended until further notification. Services are available and contact should be made through the following:

- 1) Phone (603) 642-8406 ext. 1
- 2) US mail 24 Depot Road, East Kingston, NH 03827
- 3) Email bmerrow@eastkingstonnh.gov

- **Upcoming Selectboard Meetings:**

More details will follow regarding the regularly scheduled Selectboard meeting for Monday, March 23, 2020.

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:

Clerk's office is closed to the public and all walk-in service has been suspended until further notification. Most town clerk business and services can be completed online. Any questions can be made directly to Barbara Clark and contact should be made through the following:

- 1) On-line EKNH.ORG
- 2) US Mail 24 Depot Road, East Kingston, NH 03827
- 3) Phone (603) 642-8406 ext. 2
- 4) Email bclark@eastkingstonnh.gov

- DOG LICENSING: Dogs can be licensed online or by mail. The deadline is April 30th.
- MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS: (SEE APPENDIX 1 at the bottom of this document FOR MORE INFORMATION)
- VITAL STATISTICS: (Contact the Clerk's Office)
- TAX PAYMENTS: (Contact the Clerk's Office)

A lock box will be installed at the entrance of the Town Offices to allow residents to drop off paperwork and payments. Please place such items in an envelope before leaving in the lock box. Please **DO NOT** leave cash in the lock box.

TRASH and RECYCLING:

Our vendor, Waste Management, reports no interruption in service as of the date of this release. Any new information will be distributed as it is made available.

The Town of NEWTON transfer Station is closed to all non-residents until further notice. As a result, services can be obtained for a fee from area businesses. One such business is ERRCO a private corporation located in Epping. Please call for pricing and availability (603) 679-2626. Website address is: <http://www.errco.com/> Bulky goods (by the ton); construction debris (by the ton); white goods and air conditioning units are accepted.

Zoning Board of Adjustment:

Office is closed to walk-in service. Next scheduled meeting is April 23rd. Web conferencing platform may be employed at next meeting. More information will be forthcoming and posted prior to meeting.

Services are available:

- 1) US Mail 24 Depot Road, East Kingston, NH 03827
- 2) Phone (603) 642-8406
- 3) Email Tim Allen - timallenekplanningboard@gmail.com

Appendix 1

Dear Municipal Agent

As concern for the health and well-being of employees, customers, and communities that we serve grows, I know that many of you are considering closing your offices to outside traffic.

We are encouraging DMV customers to take advantage of online services and are directing them to your municipal websites for online service options you may offer.

Some towns are focusing on renewals by mail or have provided drop off options.

For new transactions, the Governor has authorized us to extend all temporary plates issued after 3/1 until April 30, 2020.

We want to thank you for your patience during this time and are available to answer any questions. Please call the agent help desk for assistance.

Elizabeth Bielecki
Director of Motor Vehicles

Department of Safety
23 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301
(603) 227-4050

