



Town of Berwick

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COVID 19 Update

Citizens of Berwick

We are now into our 3rd week of dealing with the COVID-19 Pandemic. I wanted to update everyone on the status of the town office.

The Town Office Hours
Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm

The Town Office is still closed to the public. This is done to keep citizens and employees safe. The staffing at the office is at a minimum. The Town Clerk and Deputy Clerk are alternating days and Customer Service employees are working 2 days a week. We are still conducting business and answering telephone calls. The Finance Department is also alternating days in the office and they are working remotely.

The Town Office is still available to answer any questions and help citizens if needed. Like everyone else we are taking this pandemic one day at a time and making sure essential business is getting done. The Board of Selectmen and I are discussing how we are going to manage business into the future. We are all learning as we go and are changing schedules and routines as we can to make sure the work gets done and everyone is safe.

Public Works has switched to a 10 -hour 4 -day week and all also alternating 2 on 2 off and doing what work they have scheduled as long as they keep the 6 ft distance and travel in separate vehicles. The Transfer Station is currently on their normal schedule. That will be reviewed next week as there has been a lot of traffic when they are open. The Water Department is still working but closed to the public. They are working alternating shifts.

The Police and Fire Departments have not altered their schedules. They are available for any and all emergencies. Their buildings are closed to the public and if anyone of the staff contacts the COVID-19 virus that is a serious game changer. We all and especially public safety are following strict protocol. Police and Fire are the ones at a very high risk. Public Safety and I receive daily updates from the State EMA Office.

Should there be any questions please contact the Town Office 207-698-1101

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