



Re: Port Washington North COVID-19 Update and Village Election Postponement

March 16, 2020

Dear Village Residents:

As you know, the Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County, and the State of New York have all declared a State of Emergency and the World Health Organization has designated the **Coronavirus (COVID-19)** outbreak a Pandemic.

Nassau County schools will be closed for the next two weeks. We have been advised that the Town of North Hempstead will be implementing public safety measures, purchasing essential items and services quickly, and responding to emergency needs. We, too, will be taking important steps to ensure the health and safety of our Village residents and visitors in the interest of preventing the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Of the utmost importance, we need to respect the advice of medical professionals and leaders in government and avoid large crowds. Please quarantine yourselves at home, if possible.

If you are feeling ill, remain in your home until you have contacted your doctor. If you or anyone you know has additional questions or concerns, please visit [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) or call the **New York State Coronavirus Hotline at 1-888-364-3065** where callers can speak to an actual medical expert.

You may find additional information on our website homepage, www.portwashingtonnorth.org,

Precautionary Measures:

We have been in continuous communication with the Port Washington Police District, the Port Washington-Manhasset Office of Emergency Management, the Nassau County Police Department, our New York State Senator, and the Town of North Hempstead. For the health and safety of our Village residents and visitors, we are discouraging any personal contact within Village Hall. While we are still open to handle essential functions of running the Village, we prefer any communications be in the form of a phone call or email.

If you are dropping off paperwork for the Building Department including applications for Landscaper Permits, we ask that you please drop it on our counter at Village Hall or send it by mail.

Please understand what is considered urgent and essential during this time. Contemplating a home improvement is not an urgent matter. If you need to speak with the Superintendent of Buildings for an open building permit or matter, please phone the Village Office at 516-883-5900 or email the Superintendent directly at building@portwashingtonnorth.org. Many inquiries can be answered by phone or email to ensure the continuity of our local government.

Village Election Day - March 18, 2020:

We just received word that emergency action by the Governor has postponed the March 18th elections until April 28th. Please mark this new date on your calendars.

If you have any other inquiries for the Village, you may call the Village Office at 516-883-5900 and leave a message or email me directly at Mayor@portwashingtonnorth.org.

We are a wonderful Village, and together we will get through this difficult time.

Stay Safe,

Mayor Bob