

BOROUGH OF HALEDON

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An Announcement from the Office of the Mayor

Coronavirus COVID-19 Local Update

April 8, 2020

Our Haledon Community:

I hope everyone is remaining optimistic as we battle this pandemic together. As of this writing, there have been eighty four (84) confirmed COVID-19 cases in Haledon. Two (2) residents are currently in the hospital and the rest are recuperating at home. There has been one (1) death related to complications of COVID-19 confirmed by the Passaic County Health Department, which I informed the community about on April 3, 2020. Please be advised that New Jersey has over 47,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19, the second-most in the country, behind New York which has over 149,000. I would also like to bring the following to your attention:

- You may participate in a remote Municipal Council Meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2020, at 7PM. To access the meeting, residents should use Conference Call number, 425-436-6358. The Access Code will be 119151;
- Staffing issues have impacted the Haledon Post Office serving Haledon, North Haledon and Prospect Park. The United States Postal Service (USPS) has assured us that parcels, which may include needed medications, ARE being delivered. Where USPS was unable to deliver all first class mail, routes have been rotated. Ideally no one will go more than 2 days without getting mail. I want to commend the hardworking USPS for making sure our residents get their necessary mail;
- Governor Phil Murphy issued an Executive Order mandating all residents to wear masks in grocery stores as COVID-19 cases and deaths continue to climb. To lessen overcrowding, all "essential retail" stores will only be permitted to allow up to 50 percent of their approved capacity inside. All customers and employees will be required to wear face coverings while inside the store, and businesses must supply employees with masks, coverings and gloves. The executive order also mandates stores provide certain shopping hours for high-risk populations such as seniors, place physical barriers between customers and employees "where practicable" and regularly sanitize employee areas. Governor Murphy also issued an Executive Order mandating nonessential construction to cease indefinitely, with exceptions for hospital, school, transportation, utility work and affordable housing projects. Lastly, Governor Murphy signed an Executive Order closing State and County Parks to further social distancing. Under the Executive Order, municipalities still have the authority to keep municipal parks open or closed. It should be noted that Roe Street Park was ordered closed by local emergency order on March 18, 2020.
- The community is urged to properly dispose their gloves, masks, or any other personal protective equipment. Regardless, someone still has to pick them up and be exposed to unwanted germs. The Haledon Police Department will be strongly enforcing littering violations.

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- The Haledon Police Department recently arrested a 19 year old male for burglarizing unlocked motor vehicles on Cliff Street in the wee hours of the morning. This individual did not pose a risk of imminent danger to our community; the individual was looking for a crime of opportunity. As such, I urge residents to lock their doors and secure their valuables; and
- The Passaic County Health Department continues to administer COVID-19 daily testing, Monday through Saturday, 9:00AM to 12:00PM, in Lot 6 of William Paterson University. You must be a Passaic County resident and you must have a prescription from a healthcare provider. If you are in need of a prescription, you may utilize the telehealth service being offered by Saint Joseph's University Medical Center for a fee. Please visit www.stjosephshealth.org/telehealth for more information regarding the telehealth program.

Again, we implore you to remain home and only travel for a legitimate, essential purpose. The practice of physical, social distancing continues to be paramount. For any updates, please visit our borough website, www.haledonboronj.com.

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Sincerely,

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