

CITY OF BARRE

NOTICE of TEMPORARY CLOSURE

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, all City buildings will be closed to the public beginning 4:30 PM Thursday, March 19, 2020 until further notice. City staff will remain available to assist citizens by phone, e-mail, U.S. Postal Service, and by appointment as warranted with preventive protocols in place.

Meetings of all committees and boards are canceled until further notice with the exception of the City Council, which will continue to hold meetings in the City Council Chambers through virtual methods in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.

To ensure the continued health and safety of the staff of the City of Barre, and our residents and the general public, we request that you abide by the guidance listed below.

WHAT IF I NEED SOMETHING?

Office staff will be working behind closed doors during this time to ensure vital functions of the City can occur.

- **DOG LICENSES:** You can leave your payments and an updated copy of your rabies certificate for each dog in the dropbox by the front door or send via USPS. You can also pay online and email or fax updated rabies paperwork and we will mail back the new tags. If you have a new dog, follow the instructions on the Clerk's page of the City website: www.barrecity.org.
- **WATER & SEWER PAYMENTS:** Water & sewer payments are due by March 31st, however, no late penalties or interest will be charged to unpaid bills if received by April 30th. Payments can be made in the dropbox by the front door, USPS, or online on the City website: www.barrecity.org. These options apply to both current and delinquent water & sewer bills.
- **TAX PAYMENTS:** Payments can be made in the dropbox by the front door, USPS, or online on the City website: www.barrecity.org. These options apply to both current and delinquent tax payments.
- **PERMITS:** If you need to apply for a zoning, building, electrical or flood hazard permit, all forms are on line, or we can mail or email them to you as well. Please call the office so that we can assist with filling them out and calculating the proper fees required to be submitted.
- **TAX BILL COPIES:** If you need a copy of your tax bill, please call or email us. We can email and fax copies to you or your tax preparer or mail them to you.
- **LISTER CARDS and TAX MAP COPIES:** If you need a copy of a lister card or map of a parcel, we are more than happy to email or mail to you the property card needed.

- **LAND RECORDS RESEARCH:** Our vault is available for research **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Our index from 1989 and documents from May 20, 1996 are available on the City website, and can be printed from there. The decision to come to our offices will be at your discretion. We **WILL NOT** conduct research for anyone regardless of the current situation as we do not carry Title Insurance and could be held liable should incorrect documentation be mistakenly sent. If you have deed references (book/page required) you may request documents to be emailed or faxed to you with an invoice attached.
- **RECREATION DEPARTMENT and CIVIC CENTER EVENTS:** All Recreation Department Events and Classes, and all events at the Civic Center have been canceled or postponed at this time. If you have further questions, please reach out via email or phone to the Recreation Department.
- **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:** Public Works operations (water, sewer, streets) will be limited to emergency services only.

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For more information:

- www.healthvermont.gov
- Center for Disease Control www.cdc.gov

*Please check on your neighbors.
Please support our local businesses
Be safe.*