Advisory #85

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

To the Residents of Kingston,

This afternoon the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) announced there are 8,522 cases of COVID-19 in Plymouth County. As of this afternoon, the Town of Kingston’s total number of confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 remains 129. Of the Town’s total number of confirmed positive cases, 64 are from one facility. Our Health Agent and Public Safety Officers will continue to monitor these local cases. Due to privacy requirements, the demographics of these cases will remain anonymous.

These graphs are a visual companion to the numbers that we have been reporting in our advisory letters to residents.
Kingston’s Emergency Management Team met today to discuss the Town’s ongoing response to COVID-19. Fire Chief Mark Douglass shared that the Kingston Fire Department has received their anticipated delivery of personal protective equipment (PPE) to replenish the Department’s stock. Mark also shared that he has been working with Director of Elder Affairs Paula Rossi-Clapp to finalize a plan that will allow seniors who had previously scheduled appointments with AARP volunteers for tax preparation services to reschedule those appointments in a safe manner. We hope to share more on this in the coming days.

Health Agent Arthur Boyle updated the group on his Department’s work to support businesses who are allowed to open under Phase 2 of the Governor’s plan. Kingston’s Board of Health has begun receiving phone calls from businesses likely to open during Phase 3, and will be working to support them as soon as the Commonwealth permits them to open their doors.

Town Meeting at the Kingston Intermediate School has been postponed until Saturday, July 11th, at 9:00 AM. This decision was made last Thursday night by Moderator Janet Wallace.

Town Elections and Recall Elections will be held on June 27th from 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM. As was the case with the recent Special State Senate Election, voting at the Town House will not be available. All residents from all precincts will be able to cast their ballots at the Kingston Elementary School.

Thank you for your continued efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19,

Joshua A. Warren, Chairman
Board of Selectmen