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To: All Media Outlets
From: Kendra Amaral, Town Manager
Date: March 17, 2020
RE: Press Release – COVID-19 Update – Town of Kittery Municipal Offices to Close

Effective March 17, 2020 at 6:00 PM through March 29, 2020, Town of Kittery non-essential municipal operations will be closed. We will continue to monitor the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation, follow guidance from State and Federal agencies, and will determine when to reopen to the public.

- The Resource Recovery Facility will remain open as long as it is safe to staff the facility.
 - The Freebie Barn will remain closed at this time.
- For the convenience and safety of the public The Town of Kittery offers many options for completing business online. Access to forms, documents, requests and more can be found by using the “Online Services” button on our homepage, located at www.kitteryme.gov.
 - Town Hall staff will have limited access to voicemail and e-mail during the closure, but will continue to respond to submissions and requests as they are able to.
 - For a complete staff directory, please visit www.kitteryme.gov/staffdirectory.
- Residents are encouraged to stay up to date on the latest COVID-19 updates by subscribing to E-Alerts using the “Subscribe to E-alerts” button on our homepage.
- All board and committee meetings will be cancelled or postponed until after March 29, 2020, including the Town Council, School Committee and Planning Board. Public hearings will be rescheduled to a future date.
 - For those interested in catching up on previous meetings, the Town of Kittery website offers a full archive of board and committee meetings and workshops. The video archive can be found by using the “Meeting Video Archive” button on our homepage.
- The Community Center will be closed through March 29, 2020. This includes the Kittery Forest Preschool (formerly EOTW) and the SAFE Afterschool Programs, the Fitness Room and walking track.
 - For more information on the Community Center, please visit their website located at www.kitterycommunitycenter.org.

- The Rice Public Library will be closed through March 29, 2020. As always, patrons can access many materials and services online.
 - For more information on the Rice Public Library, please visit their website, located at www.rice.lib.me.us/.

Local businesses and restaurants are asked to follow CDC guidelines to help reduce the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19). Reduced hours, take-out/delivery service, and other measures are strongly encouraged during this time.

Please be advised that the situation may change pending additional information and updates. Chief David O'Brien is leading the Town's emergency management response and will continue maintaining regular communication with staff, community stakeholders, and state officials to stay abreast of the situation. Further updates will be provided to the community as we receive them.

For more information on Coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit the U.S. CDC's website, which can be found at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

If you have questions, please contact Kendra Amaral at 207-475-1329 or kamaral@kitteryme.org.

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