

**Board of Selectmen - Special Meeting
Tuesday, March 31, 2020
Remote participation: Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/801371923>**

Meeting ID: 801 371 923

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. by remote participation via Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/801371923> (Meeting ID# 801 371 923). Those present were Chair Kate Reid, Alan Lewis, Barney Arnold, Nathan Brown and Luke Ascolillo.

*This meeting was live streamed and video recording is available at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUk6r-j8hFwin1lwht-RViA/videos>

Public Information Session with LEPC, Board of Health and School Department Re: Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Chair Kate Reid explained that the Board of Selectmen have been receiving a lot of questions about COVID-19 situation and town response. The selectmen agreed that it would be helpful to provide a forum for residents to ask questions about the town's COVID-19 response and about how the town government will work now that Town Hall will be closed until at least May 4th.

Town Hall closure

Kate Reid explained that although the Town Hall is closed to general public, some services remain available by phone or other means by employees working remotely. Carlisle residents are asked to call or send an email.

The Town of Carlisle COVID-19 website is now up and running. Carlisle residents are urged to sign up to receive notifications when the COVID-19 website is updated in order to receive the most up to date information on the number of COVID-19 cases in Massachusetts and in the Town of Carlisle. There's also a resources page for Carlisle residents with helpful information and links.

LEPC Update:

Chief Fisher confirmed that LEPC continues to meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings for approximately 2 hours to discuss emergency plan for the Town of Carlisle. Each department provides an update on their activities and department needs are and report personal calls out related to COVID-19 exposure or symptoms.

Health Agent Linda Fantasia confirmed that there are 3 COVID-19 cases in the Town of Carlisle. Additionally, the town is monitoring 5 assumptive cases.

Ms. Fantasia briefly reviewed contact tracing process for persons exposed to a person with COVID-19 or suspected of having COVID-19.

- Stay home until 14 days after last exposure.
- Self-monitor for symptoms (Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath, and other symptoms of COVID-19)
- Avoid contact with people at higher risk for severe illness
- Stay in touch with your doctor and call before you seek medical care.
- Be sure to get care if you have trouble breathing, or have any other emergency warning signs, or if you think it is an emergency.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts has a COVID-19 Contact Tracing Program also known as “MAVEN”. A member of the MAVEN team will reach to everyone who tests positive for the coronavirus. They'll then contact everyone with whom that person can recall being in close contact with. The name of the infected person will not be made public.

Police/Fire - Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Regional District for the Town of Carlisle has responded to the request for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) supplies. Town of Carlisle now has the necessary supplies for next couple of weeks. Carlisle School Department has also responded by distributing cleaning supplies and other protective gear to Police and Fire including laptops for Town Staff to work remotely during the closure.

Due to COVID-19 some types of town services at the Police Station have been temporary suspended such as drug and needle drop offs and sale of Transfer Station stickers.

Angela Smith briefly described the Carlisle Neighborhood Response Program which is now up and running. This team of volunteers has been assisting seniors and residents that need help with grocery shopping and pharmacy pick-ups. Residents that need assistance should call the Council on Aging.

On the motion made by Alan Lewis and seconded by Barney Arnold, it was unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: B. Arnold-Aye, N. Brown-Aye, L. Ascolillo-Aye, A. Lewis-Aye and K. Reid-Aye.