

COVID-19 UPDATE FROM NORTH ELBA SUPERVISOR JAY RAND

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Dear Citizens of North Elba,

The following is a brief summary of activities that have taken place through the Town of North Elba, Village of Lake Placid, and Lake Placid Police Department - within the Town of North Elba that pertain to Covid-19:

- This month's Town of North Elba Regular Meeting was held remotely on April 14 at 6pm via GOTOMEETING. Access to the public was pre-arranged. A video of the meeting is posted on the Town Website and also may be accessed on the following link (<https://transcripts.gotomeeting.com/#/s/46df97c6a35e4bd01f08c4b22a88467359fe0b429e4bb0bdd206431050fb1237>) Next month's meetings are scheduled on May 5, Workshop (3pm) & Regular Meeting May 12, (6pm). Call-in information will be provided.
- Governor Cuomo in an effort to control infection has extended the **NY Pause Order until May 15**, which includes wearing masks in public when social distancing is not possible.
- In an effort to comply with this order, we are requesting that the public users of the North Elba transfer station please use face masks while on site. A reminder that the transfer station is not accepting recyclables until further notice.
- Hopefully, soon we will have warmer weather, which encourages outside yard work. Please remember there is a BURNING BAN in effect, NYSDEC info: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/press/119841.html>. The North Elba transfer station does accept brush.
- Boat launches are closed to recreational use. Responsible outdoor recreation is encouraged. See the NYS DEC website for suggestions and guidelines on **responsible outdoor recreation** during the ongoing Coronavirus Health Crisis: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/press/119974.html>. Share your local adventures using the hashtag #RecreateLocal. A reminder that playgrounds are closed but parks remain open.
- Adirondack Foundation's **Special and Urgent Needs Fund (SUN)** is a responsive grant resource that can be deployed to assist Adirondack communities during times of crisis. Given the extraordinary circumstances of the novel coronavirus pandemic, this fund is mobilizing resources specifically for COVID-19 response. Check it out – <https://www.adirondackfoundation.org/COVID19>

- The **UNITED WAY** continues to be valuable resource for those in need: – **Dial 211** to find Health & Human Services including: COVID 19 Resources, Food & Basic Needs, Family Resources, Shelter, Aging Services, Veterans Services, Wellness Programs, Disabilities and Special Needs, Mental Health & Counseling, and more. 2-1-1 gives you free information over the phone 24/7 or you can visit the website www.211adk.org
- A special request for those of you who can give: the **Ecumenical Food Pantry at St. Agnes** is in great need of supplies and/or monetary donations. They are open on Friday's from 9 a.m.-12p.m. For more information on what is needed and how to drop items of please contact Linda Young at 518-523-9620. Monetary donations can be sent to PO BOX 1475, Lake Placid, NY 12946.
- **Essex County** waived the county 1% surcharge on unpaid property taxes returned to the county treasurer. Other late fees and penalties still remain in effect. It would take an act of the state legislature of the Governor to change this. All unpaid property tax bills will be returned to the county treasurer on May 1st.

Additional information and daily postings may be found on the Town of North Elba Website www.northelba.org, the Town of North Elba Facebook page, the Lake Placid Village Facebook page and Friends of Jay Rand Facebook page.

Relevant local information, including restaurants offering take-out, retails stores offering curbside pick-up, as well as this newsletter can be received by subscribing to the Lake Placid Insider at <https://insider.lakeplacid.com/>.

This is a time like no other that we have experienced, but we will overcome this difficult period and return to normalcy quicker if we ALL practice what the NYS Department of Health has asked us to follow including:

**STAY HOME, DON'T TRAVEL, NO GROUP GATHERINGS, WASH HANDS OFTEN WITH WARM WATER AND SOAP OR HAND SANITIZERS WITH AT LEAST 60% ALCOHOL, WEAR MASKS AND GLOVES IN PUBLIC, ETC.
STAY SAFE.**