

Municipal Corner

Stay Home / Stay Safe: The Governor has issued a “Stay Home / Stay Safe” order encouraging people only to go out for essential purposes. The link to this directive and the Vermont Department of Health’s recommendations can be found on the Town of Stowe’s website (www.townofstovermont.org).

Municipal Services: The Town of Stowe’s emergency services remain operational. EMS providers and other emergency responders request that you advise them if you have COVID-19 or symptoms if they are responding to a call. We are doing our best to keep our responders healthy. Our emergency responders have enough personnel protective equipment for the immediate future. With this being said, our emergency management agencies are accepting donations of facemasks and other personal protective equipment. You can do so by contacting Chief Walker at kwalker@stowevt.gov.

The Highway Department is only responding to snow removal and other emergencies. This again is an attempt to keep our essential personnel healthy should they need to respond. During this time, citizens should expect reduced levels of service. The Stowe Police will be on patrol and will advise if a road becomes impassable and needs immediate attention. If there is something urgent that needs to be brought to our attention, you can email aearle@stowevt.gov or call 253-7350 and the road crew will be dispatched as may be appropriate.

The Akeley Memorial Building (aka Town Hall) is closed except for essential time dependent purposes. Department Heads are working from home and can still respond by email to questions and public information request. Access to the building will only be permitted for time-dependent essential purposes. Requests will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. For contact information please visit www.townofstowevt.org

Need a Hand / Lend a Hand: A group of citizens has stepped up to organize volunteers should they become needed to help deliver food and other essential supplies. If you would like to volunteer or need assistance, please email leslie.anderson@stowelawyers.com or call 802-253-8547 ext 16 . As a reminder, anyone that provides a service to you should be practicing social distancing. They should not request to enter your home.

Not a Vacation: The Governor’s directive recognizes that people may want to go outside and exercise. However, social distancing should continue to be practiced. If you find you are not able to do this in one location, please choose another.

Be Kind to One Another: The Governor’s order included the closing of all lodging facilities, so there is no reason to come to Stowe if you are not already here and do not have a home here. With this being said, if someone is here whether they are a full-time resident or a part-time resident we should be kind to one another and support each other as a community.

Voluntary Compliance: The Governor’s order depends on voluntary compliance. It is in all our best interest to “Stay Home / Stay Safe.” If we need to go out, practice social distancing. It is not only in our best interest, but others we may come in contact with to do so. The sooner we can stop the spread of the virus, the sooner we can get back to our normal lives.