



## TOWN OF WAKEFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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An open letter to the Town of Wakefield:

Dear Residents,

I hope this letter finds you all well as we move into the holiday season and winter months. As you all probably have seen, the State of New Hampshire is starting to see a spike in the number of confirmed Corona Virus testing results. Wakefield is not and will not be immune to this rise in cases.

Depending on what source you use and where you get your information, Wakefield can be seen as having as few as 4 confirmed cases and as high as somewhere perhaps over 12. This has to do with how they are reported and the lag time between testing. Regardless of the number, Wakefield is seeing a rise which, of course is troubling but by no means a cause for panic.

I believe what Governor Sununu has said time and again--we cannot "control" the virus but we can set up systems to lessen the impact and be ready for when our confirmed cases start to rise. As always, the priority for the Selectmen, School SAU and all department heads is the safety of the Town employees and you as citizens.

As we approach the end of our 9<sup>th</sup> month dealing with the virus, we have come up with several safety procedures and systems most of which deal with face coverings, daily temperature checks for staff and making the appropriate distancing areas in town hall. We also have a policy in place where if one of our staff receives a positive test for the Virus, that individual will be quarantined for up to 14 days and will be required to re-test negative before returning to work.

We have no immediate plans to close the Town Hall and will maintain our normal hours of 8-4 PM each day (town clerk hours vary). The Town Transfer Station will remain the same hours as well--Friday through Monday 8-3 PM. The Fire and Police department hours also remain unchanged. You are able to reach police at 522-3232 and Fire at 522-8336, and of course for any emergency please dial 911.

All of our committees and board updates and meeting schedules will remain updated on our website: [www.wakefieldnh.com](http://www.wakefieldnh.com). Parks and Rec at: [www.wakefieldnh.myrec.com](http://www.wakefieldnh.myrec.com) as well as the Gafney Library at: [www.gafneylibrary.org](http://www.gafneylibrary.org) and anything school related at: [www.sau101.org](http://www.sau101.org)

In closing, if you have any questions please feel free to contact any department head or me. These next few months will be what we make of them, and with such a great town, employees and citizens, I am sure we will make it through as we always do. Together.

Thank you and be well,

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