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Town Hall Calendar April, 2020



Town Hall Closed to Walk-in Traffic

To fully implement Governor Cooper's Executive order for NC residents to "stay at home" through April 29, Town Hall will remain closed to walk-in traffic.

Town Hall business will remain available Monday through Friday from 9 am to



April 2, 2020

Mayor's Message

"The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails." - William Arthur Ward (writer/poet)

In reflecting on this quote, I find myself moving through each of the feelings, especially during these trying times. It can be easy to descend into a mode of becoming worried and anxious about the current state of things - fearing for the safety and health of our family and friends, restrictions on moving around, or even a lack of availability for certain necessities at the grocery store. This is usually followed by a "this too shall pass" hopeful expectation that improvement may be coming sooner rather than later. Then I end up thinking "Okay, what must we do to adapt to our current reality?"

For perspective, just about a month ago we were shaking hands as we greeted each other. At the beginning of March we transitioned to fist-bumping, followed quickly by the short-lived act of elbow-tapping; and of course this was almost immediately superseded by our current practice of maintaining a minimum 6 feet physical distancing. The current state of things has caused us to adjust our sails!

As of today, Davie County has 12 lab-confirmed cases of COVID-19. Sadly, the county has experienced its first death related to the virus. Davie County Department of Health and Human Services is very clear in explaining that these numbers do not reflect the full extent of COVID-19 in our county. They believe these numbers will likely increase significantly during the next two to three weeks, as will the numbers across our state and country. We all must do what is necessary to be prepared.

Last week, Governor Cooper announced a state-wide stay at home order to be in effect through April 29. Prior to that, Davie County and Bermuda Run had already begun taking significant steps to help slow the spread of COVID-19 across our community. Our county and town are aligned with, and abiding by, the governor's order to stay at home. As I communicated last week, here is the governor's [Stay at Home Order](#), as well as a very informative set of [frequently asked questions](#) related to it. These FAQs help explain the Do's and Don'ts of the order. Please invest the time to read through them. They are helpful as we navigate the next several weeks.

5 pm via
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4/10 - Town Hall Closed -
Easter Holiday

4/14- Town Council
Meeting 6 pm -
CANCELLED

4/15 - Planning Board
Meeting 3 pm -
CANCELLED

4/28 - Town Council
Agenda Meeting 9 am

4/27 - Brush/Limb Pickup

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT TRASH/RECYCLE PICKUP

**Republic Services will
not pick up items left
outside of your
trash/recycle bins.**

**To read more
information, click
following link:**

[Message from Republic Services](#)



How are we doing in Bermuda Run? As I travel around our town's neighborhoods I am seeing people out walking and getting exercise. I will periodically stop and chat just to check in (always maintaining the appropriate physical distance). The comments I hear are that this current situation is unsettling, and we are anxious because we don't have a sense for what may occur next and don't know how long all of this will last. There is also a strong sentiment that we want to make sure we are doing our part - social distancing, looking out for our neighbors, not hoarding food and supplies, and taking care of our local businesses.

As a community, the most important thing we can do is abide by the stay at home order. This will have the greatest impact on mitigating the effects of the pandemic. We can follow the Order and still go to the store for needed supplies, get gas, and pick up (or have delivered) a delicious meal from a local restaurant. We can still take walks and get exercise. We can continue to look out for each other. We can adjust our sails!

I have stayed in touch with our local retailers and restaurants, and their optimistic realism is palpable. Needless to say, they are concerned. They want to do everything they can to ride this out and they want to be there for our community. They are deeply appreciative for the level of support being shown by our community.

What your town is doing: Bermuda Run Town Hall continues to operate with normal hours, but is doing its part by not allowing walk-in traffic. Please call the office at 336-998-0906 for assistance. For more information, go to our [Town of Bermuda Run website](#).

We continue to evaluate and adjust planned activities and events. We will continue to keep you informed as we make decisions on cancellations and re-scheduling.

What our partners are doing: Our local service organizations and agencies are doing an amazing job serving our community while at the same time continuing their preparations. Davie County's Emergency Operation Plan is currently being implemented, with capability to expand as needed.

What we need to do: I have addressed some of these in my previous notes, but they are worth reinforcing.

- **Stay at home** - As residents, the most significant thing we can all do is to follow this state-wide Order. This is making a difference! When you do need to go out, make sure you maintain a minimum 6 feet distance from others at all times. Be mindful of this, whether out walking, going to the store, or doing other necessary errands.
- **Continue to look out for each other** - Keep checking in with our neighbors, friends, and family. Emails, texts, FaceTime, and good old-fashioned telephone calls are just a few ways to stay in touch.
- **Continue to buy local** - Our community's local businesses are adapting to our current circumstances. They are working to persevere, so let's keep the momentum going. Consider buying a pick-up or delivery meal regularly, make a purchase, or buy a gift certificate for future use.
- **Stay informed. Stay active. Stay alert** - There is so much information coming every day. It is often a challenge to keep up with everything.

* Our [Davie County HHS COVID-19 Site](#) is a valuable resource for local up-to-date information as things

continue to change.

* Complete your [2020 Census](#). Bermuda Run residents are making excellent progress in completing the 2020 Census. As of March 31, Davie County is at 35.1% and Bermuda Run is at 43.4% completed. Well Done! Let's continue to make progress. It makes a difference. BE COUNTED, AND MAKE IT COUNT!

* Be careful to avoid [COVID-19 related Scams](#) - Scammers have seized the opportunity to ramp up activities through robocalls, emails with internet links, texts, and other methods to prey on all of us. Be alert and be wary.

I am balancing my focus on our town's needs during this crisis with planning for the time when we will emerge from our current situation. Your Town Council, Town Manager Lee Rollins, and I will be working through stabilization - getting Bermuda Run back to a new normal, then full recovery for our community. We will be working closely with all of our partners - county, regional, and state agencies, our local businesses, and most importantly our residents as we work to emerge as a stronger community.

Now, more than ever, I want to engage with you and to hear from you. Let me know if you have questions, would like more information, or want to provide some feedback to me. I won't promise I will be able to give you the response you would like, but I commit that I will listen and do my best to respond. Reach me at rcross@townofbr.com or 336-391-1992.

I am proud to be a part of such a special community, and continue to be inspired and energized by our town's collective commitment.

We are in this together, and together we will emerge stronger.
- Rick Cross



Shredding Event
Saturday, April 18
CANCELLED
Next date: 9/26/20



SPRING CLEAN
Saturday, May 9
CANCELLED
Next date: TBD



Due to the uncertainty created by the COVID-19 virus Town of Bermuda Run and Davie County Arts Council have **rescheduled Matt Dylan & Honky Tonk Outlaws' FREE concert from May 16th to Saturday, October 3rd at 7 PM.**

Please "SHARE" this post to help us get the information out.

We join with you in praying for our community, our state, and our country.

BE SAFE!! We are all in this together!



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