

Town of Ludlow – Press Release

April 17, 2020

As of Today, we have approximately 43 positive cases of the COVID-19 virus and unfortunately, 3 reported deaths related to complications from the virus as well. Our hearts go out to the families and loved ones of those lost to this horrible disease.

If there are Veterans in Town that need assistance, please contact Eric Segundo at 413-385-1790. There are numerous resources available which include food with no income requirements.

We've been getting a lot of questions about the upcoming June 29th changes in our Town trash collection, so I've asked our DPW director to post some information for everyone on the Town's website. Here are some quick bullet points:

Trash

- All Trash will have to in purple bags regardless of whether they are picked up curbside, in a barrel, or brought to the transfer station.
- The curbside pick-up 40-pound weight for your barrel remains in effect (extra bags can be left outside the barrel)
- Residents will be able to buy purple 14-gallon kitchen bags as well as the 30-gallon large capacity purple bags in various quantities (see website for list of stores where available).

Recycle

- Paper and cardboard will have to kept separate from cans, cartons, and bottles whether they are picked up curbside, in a recycle bin, or barrel labeled as recycle, or brought to the transfer station.
- Curbside pick-up of paper and cardboard will be one week, and cans, cartons, and bottles will be the next week (see the website for how to get recycle schedule).

For my final comments tonight, first let me revisit the growing issue on Cislak Drive. Now, I'd rather appeal to the common sense of the kids who are congregating in large groups there with no regard for their health and safety or to the health and safety of the residents but, clearly, that hasn't worked. As a result, we are forced to take stronger steps. We have added temporary "No Parking" signs to the "No Loitering" signs which will assist the Police to assess fines for violating these orders. I suggest, yet again, that you stop and do the right thing.

As we get into mid-April, I am hopeful that our patience and resolve will yield positive results in the near future. Though I remain optimistic, I caution all of us that we must stay on course. We must continue our protections and follow the guidelines set fourth by our Governor and the CDC. I want to thank all of our First Responders, Front line Workers, those who are making protective masks for people and everyone doing their part to keep each other safe. Please support our local businesses.

God Bless and Take Care of Each Other,
Derek G. DeBarge
Chairman, Board of Selectmen