

# *Village of Ballston Spa*

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR LARRY WOOLBRIGHT**

Effective at 5 pm on March 18, 2020, Mayor Larry Woolbright of the Village of Ballston Spa declares a State of Emergency within the entire jurisdiction of the Village of Ballston Spa, which will remain in effect through Friday April 17, 2020 unless rescinded at an earlier date or extended for an additional period of time. This declaration is based on the finding that the public safety is impacted by the COVID-19 virus and the threat it poses to the residents, employees and visitors to the village.

The Mayor and Village Trustees have taken the following steps to ensure the health and safety of those within the Village:

- The Village Hall, Building Department and Public Library will be closed to the public until further notice. Employees of these buildings will be working from home or in shifts. The drop box in front of Village Hall and voicemail will be monitored periodically.
- The Ballston Spa Police, Eagle Matt Lee and Union Fire Companies and Public Works Departments will continue to be staffed. Any non-essential personnel will be encouraged to work at home and any employee who is sick will be required to stay at home.
- The Village Court will be closed to the public until further notice. Additional information about pending matters, payment of fines and modified staff hours can be found on the village website.
- All Village Board, Planning Board, Zoning Board and committee meetings will be held electronically through an interactive website which will enable the public to hear and participate in the meetings. More detailed information will be available on the village website and social media.

At this time, the points of contact for the Village are the Mayor and the Village Clerk. During this State of Emergency, additional measures may be implemented in order to protect the health, safety and property of Village Residents. The Village encourages residents and visitors to closely monitor the executive orders of Governor Cuomo and to follow the regulations which are evolving daily.

For additional information and updates, please consult the Village of Ballston Spa website at [www.villageofballstonspa.org](http://www.villageofballstonspa.org) and official Village of Ballston Spa social media.