RE: Town of Hancock State of Emergency
COVID-19 Response

3/30/2020

PROCLAMATION

The Town of Hancock declares a State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 virus outbreak effective immediately.

Whereas COVID-19 is a severe respiratory disease resulting in illness or death caused by the person-to-person spread of the novel coronavirus, which was previously not found in humans. The coronavirus as a viral agent capable of causing extensive loss of life or serious disability is a deadly agent.

Given that the Governor of Maryland, the Honorable Larry Hogan, has declared a state-wide state of emergency on March 5th, 2020, and Washington County, Maryland has initiated extensive coronavirus response and prevention measures, the Town of Hancock is likewise initiating response and prevention measures to include opening the Washington County Emergency Operations/COVID-19 Response Center.

The Town of Hancock supports these efforts and implements Town COVID-19 response measures. This potential health emergency necessitates to deploy resources and implement emergency powers to protect the health and safety of all residents of the Town of Hancock. These immediate Town measures include:

1. All playgrounds, basketball courts, pavilions and other public facilities are closed until further notice.
2. Kirkwood Park and Gerber Field are closed until further notice.
3. All events, concerts, meetings and other public gatherings at the Town of Hancock Community Center are cancelled until further notice.
4. All public events such as but not limited to Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, The Hancock Senior Center and Cub Scouts are all postponed and suspended until further notice.
5. The Town of Hancock Police Department is placed on a 24-hour schedule to monitor and enforce the Governor’s directives and Stay at Home order issued on 30 March 2020.

These Town measures are implemented in addition to all federal, state and county COVID-19 response measures therefore do not reflect all public safety and public health measures in effect by all levels of government.

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