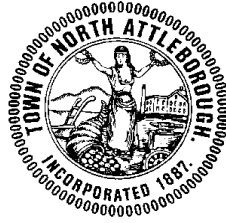


Michael D. Borg
Town Manager



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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: Monday, May 10, 2021
TO: Town Council
FROM: Michael D. Borg, Town Manager
RE: Town Manager Report

Below are key activities, which I felt would be of interest to you.

COVID-19 Response

- The Town continues with an active response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - All effective dates are Subject to public health and vaccination data.**
 - **Effective May 10, 2021-** Large Venues such as indoor and outdoor stadiums, arenas and ballparks currently open at 12% capacity, will be permitted to increase to 25%. Amusement Parks & outdoor water parks will be permitted to operate at 50% capacity. Road Races and group athletic events will be permitted.
 - **Effective May 29, 2021-** Gathering limits will increase to 200 people indoors and 250 outdoors for event venues for public & private settings. Youth and adult amateur sports tournaments will be allowed for moderate and high-risk sports. Restaurant guidance will be updated.
 - **Effective August 1, 2021-** Remaining industries will be permitted to open including health clubs, dance clubs and indoor water parks. All industry restrictions will be lifted at that time, and capacity will increase to 100% for all industries, with businesses encouraged to continue following best practices. The gathering limit will be rescinded.
- **Public Health Update - Updates**
 - Current number of positives in North Attleborough as reported by DPH: **2705**
 - Current number of active cases: **30 Cases - Positivity Rate 2.96%**
 - Current number of deaths attributed to COVID-19 in North Attleborough: **36**
 - Current number of positives in Bristol County as reported by DPH: **65,256**
 - Current number of positives in Statewide as reported by DPH: **649,855**
- **Emergency Management**
 - Nothing to Report at this time.
- **Communications – Updates**
 - The Senior Tax Work Off Program for 2021 is about to get underway. Each volunteer will be screened & matched as closely as possible within Town Departments. Volunteer Service runs from July 12 to October 22, 2021.
 - Keep North Attleboro Beautiful was on May 1, 2021.-The day was a success. The weather was perfect for working outdoors. There were over 450 volunteers that

signed up for the event. KNAB would like to thank Mark Hollowell, DPW Drivers, and Michele Bernier for facilitating the process. They were instrumental in the success of the cleanup every year!

- Thank you to KNAB for the plants around the Town Hall!

- Memorial Day Celebration Saturday, May 29, 2021 at 10:00AM. To begin at Barrows Park and conclude at Medal of Honor Grave Site at Saint Mary's Cemetery.

- **Operations – Updates**

- Emerald Square Mall-The Economic Development Coordinator has been working diligently with the Mall manager to discuss leasing options and other opportunities available. Discussions of Board of Health, Lenore's Pantry, Veterans, and the Senior Center moving to the mall are possibilities. Have begun discussions on the mall space and infrastructure requirements with each of these departments.

- **Budget – Updates**

- FY2022 Department Budget Presentations are complete. Finance Sub-Committee has met with every department.
- Budget Adoption is scheduled for the June 7, 2021 Town Council Meeting.
- Revised Measure 2021-048- FY2022 General Fund Annual Appropriation- School Department will receive an additional \$100,000.00 in their operating budget to help with funding of full day kindergarten. This money was reallocated and taken from the FY2022 OPEB Funding.
 - Also included are the detailed versions of the summary that is attached to the Measures.
- Revised Measure 2021-050-FY2022 OPEB Funding- The revised contribution to the OPEB Account will be \$425,000.00, instead of the original \$525,000.00. This \$100,000.00 will be deposited into the Schools Operating Budget. See attached.
- New supporting FY2022 General Fund Appropriation documents attached.

- **Personnel – Updates**

- Chief of Police confirmation is tonight.
- Town Planner interviews were conducted last week.
- No candidates selected in our initial Chief Assessor search. We will advertise again.