



Dear Resident,

Together, we are experiencing unprecedented times, and collectively we will get through this. As the medical community is diligently working to supply the necessary support to increasing numbers of patients, the public is being asked to do their share. It is important to limit interactions, and when necessary to do so carefully through **social distancing**. As we've seen, some businesses (like movie theaters) have temporarily closed their doors, other businesses are exercising caution by alternating schedules to reduce possible contact. You may be asked to provide your contact information upon entering some locations as all these actions have been put in place as part of the County declaring a state of emergency. You should keep in mind that the State and the County are considering further actions that may come into effect as this crisis continues.

For the safety of our community as well as our borough employees, we have decided to make significant changes. Borough Hall will be closed to the public beginning Monday, March 16. Most business can and should be conducted through our website, [www.wclnj.com](http://www.wclnj.com). If you have questions, please call Borough Hall – 201.391.4977 between 8AM-4PM Monday to Friday or you can email us at [info@wclnj.com](mailto:info@wclnj.com). We will be operating with a limited staff, so please be patient as we expect to be dealing with high volumes of callers. Please use the mail slot on the front door at Borough Hall to drop off any envelopes/packages. If you need to pick up item, call first and arrangements can be made. Be advised that non-emergency inspections will be postponed. You will be notified as to re-scheduled dates. We are limiting not only persons entering our location, but our personnel entering your homes.

The Police Department will also be closed to the public, the call box outside their door is available and is answered 24/7. The Police Department and Tri-Boro Ambulance Corps. members are here to serve you. However, if you are experiencing flu like symptoms, and it is NOT an emergency, such as someone having difficulty breathing or chest pains, please call your primary care physician first. If you have an emergency at your home and emergency personnel are responding please put on any personal protection gear (such as masks), if you have one. When reporting an emergency please give dispatchers as much information as possible. Dispatchers will be screening and asking about potential exposure for the safety of all involved.

Please limit your trips to the ecology center, to practice social distancing. In an effort to keep the social interaction to a minimum, we are reducing the number of cars that are in the center at the same time and will be checking decals at the entrance. We ask that everyone keep things moving by disposing of your recyclables and trash quickly, then exiting. Do not sift through books, textiles,



metals or electronics. All scheduled garbage and recycling schedules will remain in effect.

As you may already know, we have already taken the careful measure to cancel all sports activities in town. At this point, we have not entirely closed our Parks as we understand the need to get outside. However, if we find large groups assembling, we may need to close them entirely.

Mayor and Council Meetings will be closed to the public and held 'virtually' until further notice. The public will have the ability to call in during our meetings, or send email to: [clerk@wclnj.com](mailto:clerk@wclnj.com) ahead of time to be read into the minutes. Updates on the Coronavirus – COVID-19 will be made at 7pm every Monday, either during our scheduled Mayor and Council meetings, or as a special address. Tune into FIOS Channel #37 or Cablevision Channel #77 to watch live. As usual, we will send our weekly town updates every Friday. If you are not already receiving these emails, please visit our website and follow the link for "email subscriptions" so you are kept informed. All other meetings, including Planning Board, Zoning Board and various committees are postponed until further notice.

Self-containment is prudent. **Practice social distancing** when out, and try to limit trips to stores in order to avoid potential exposure. **Stay at home, you and your children should interact with friends via digital means only.** This is what we can do to help contain the spread of this virus. Let's work together and do our part to keep ourselves, our family members, and our neighbors healthy. Today's precautions can help to mitigate the worries of tomorrow. If you are feeling ill or flu like symptoms, contact your primary care doctor. You can also use the NJ DOH Toll Free Hotline at 1-800-222-1222. This information and more is available on our website, [www.wclnj.com](http://www.wclnj.com)

We will continue to update the community as information becomes available. Information will be pushed to the community via the town's website, email via constant contact sign up [here](#), facebook @wclnjcommunitynews, Nixel and Swift911.

We thank you for your understanding at this difficult time.

Mayor and Council