March 26, 2020

Second homeowners and residents of Woodstock,

In these difficult and unprecedented circumstances, Woodstock Emergency Management is reaching out to each and every one of you. We understand that many of our second homeowners permanently reside in the greater New York City (NYC) area, which is now the epicenter of the COVID-19 virus. If you have recently been in the greater NYC area and are now residing in the Town/Village of Woodstock we request that you please self-quarantine for a period of 14 days, as recommended by the CDC.

We welcome you to Woodstock and pledge to you that Woodstock and Vermont are prepared to respond to the COVID-19 virus. We all must do our part to prevent the virus from spreading throughout our community. Our first responders are equipped with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and are trained in how to respond to such calls for service. Woodstock’s Highway Department and Wastewater Treatment plants remain operational; however, Town Hall has been closed to the public. Woodstock’s employees and dedicated volunteers continue to serve our community, particularly our vulnerable populations. We must be proactive in our approach to combat this virus and to keep our community safe. Along these lines, Vermont Governor Scott issued a “Stay Home, Stay Safe” order on March 24, 2020 which included the closure of in-person operations for all non-essential businesses, and directed persons leaving their home to practice social distancing thoroughly and regularly wash their hands. These restrictive measures are in place to minimize contact among citizens and slow the spread of the virus and protect the public. The Governor’s “Stay Home, Stay Safe” order is in effect until April 15, 2020, though it may be amended as deemed necessary. For the latest information and guidance relating to Vermont’s COVID-19 response, visit http://www.healthvermont.gov/covid19. Should you have questions or needs related to COVID-19, please feel free to contact Woodstock Emergency Services on our dedicated COVID-19 hotline at 457-1416, 24/7. For issues and questions not related to COVID-19 our normal Woodstock Emergency Services number of 457-1420 is available 24/7. As always, if you have an emergency, please dial 911.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.
Chief Robbie Blish, WPD and Chief David Green, WFD