

Hello Montville!

In the wake of the Coronavirus we are urging people to get their news and updates from reputable sources. Our local public health authority is Uncas Health District. Their website is www.uncashd.org/2019-novel-coronavirus-microsite.

The budgeting process continues as the Finance Committee continues its work on coming up with a budget that we feel the people in town can live with while funding the necessary initiatives in Montville. The Board of Education has made its request to the Town and my office and the Finance Committee will now deliberate and make their recommendations.

Given the COVID-19 situation we are calling off any non-essential meetings for the remainder of the month of March (please check the town calendar at www.townofmontville.org if you are unsure of which meetings this concerns). In order to meet the many legal requirements, certain Boards and Commissions may need to meet to comply with statutory timelines. We are asking people that have interest in attending and being a part of these meetings to do-so by calling in by using the instructions attached to the agenda for that meeting. As the State of CT, Uncas Health, and the CDC have stated- social distancing is proven to be the most preventative measure that can be taken to prevent further spreading of this virus. We want to be sure we are doing everything we can to protect the health and safety of all residents especially all of you who serve in these elected and appointed capacities.

To this end Montville Schools have closed starting Monday to help prevent further spreading of the COVID-19 virus. We have also closed our Senior Center to the public. We will make meals available to our schoolchildren and seniors. Though at the time of writing this update no known cases have been reported we are acting in the best interest of public welfare given the information we have. We will also be implementing closure of Town Hall offices to the public effective Wednesday March 18. Should you urgently need to access the town hall in person, please call 860-848-3030 during normal hours 8:00-4:30pm and we will work with folks on an individual basis to help serve you. Town Hall staff will continue to report to work at this time, but the buildings will be closed to the public. This situation is very fluid and could be subject to change based on incoming information. Please keep an eye on our town website at www.townofmontville.org.