



## TOWN OF DRESDEN

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### **TOWN OF DRESDEN SELECT BOARD ACTIONS REGARDING COVID-19 VIRUS**

The Select Board has approved the following changes as of today, Tuesday, March 17, 2020. The Select Board will re-evaluate the situation on March 31<sup>st</sup>.

1. The Town Office will be closed to the public, but remain in operation. Services such as motor vehicle re-registrations, hunting and fishing licenses, and property tax payments can be made online. Town Office Staff will still be available during regular operating hours to answer questions and transactions over the phone. Property tax payments and other forms can be completed and submitted by mail or email. The Tax Collector will not charge interest on taxes due on April 1<sup>st</sup> that are received by May 1<sup>st</sup>.
2. The Transfer Station will remain open during regular hours of operation. Please do not go to the Transfer Station if you are showing any symptoms (fever, cough, difficulty breathing, or sore throat). Staff will be advised to keep their distance from residents. The Swap Shop will be closed until further notice.
3. Non-urgent meetings at Pownalborough Hall are canceled until further notice.
4. Other organizations are encouraged to cancel or postpone large gatherings until the pandemic threat has subsided.
5. Polls for the April 7<sup>th</sup> Special Election will only be open from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. We will also limit the number of voters in the polling place at any one time. Please request an absentee ballot with our Town Clerk to avoid the polls if possible.

In addition, the Board recommends that all citizens take the following steps:

- Read and follow Maine CDC recommended personal steps: handwashing, use of hand-sanitizer, social distancing etc., [www.maine.gov/dhhs/coronavirus](http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/coronavirus).
- Avoid large gatherings
- Maintain two weeks supply of emergency food and household goods, but please do not hoard.
- If you believe that you have virus symptoms, call your physician.
- Stay informed through reputable news media sources and through State and local agencies.