

TOWN OF MOREAU

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SUPERVISOR KUSNIERZ DECLARES STATE OF EMERGENCY

MOREAU, NY – Supervisor Todd Kusnierz has declared a State of Emergency in the Town of Moreau. The Supervisor signed a Local Declaration of “A State of Emergency” effective immediately today, March 18, 2020 which shall remain in effect for 30 days or until rescinded by subsequent order. Supervisor Kusnierz said, “such move was necessary in response to rapidly evolving challenges to protect public health and safety related to the spread of the 2019-novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).” The Town joins the State of New York, County of Saratoga and other counties, as well as many other towns, cities and villages across the state in taking this step.

Supervisor Kusnierz has exercised his authority under Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law, Article 2B, to preserve public safety, and hereby renders all required and available assistance to the security, well-being, and health of the citizens of the Town of Moreau. He has instructed all Town departments to reduce staffing levels for non-essential staff by 50%, as directed by yesterday’s Executive Order from the Governor, and to do whatever is necessary to protect life and property, public infrastructure, and provide other such emergency assistance as required.

This declaration enables the Town to take additional legal, operational, and recovery measures that may be needed to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic that is affecting the community.

The Town of Moreau will continue to serve residents, although in a scaled-down manner in accordance with the Governor’s Executive Orders. As a result, residents are encouraged to conduct town business via telephone, email or US mail as much as possible to minimize personal interactions. Also, to minimize financial hardships that may arise, late fees for overdue water and sewer bills will be waived during this period. In addition, the Town’s transfer station will only be operational on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 7:30 AM - 3:45 PM.

Due to rapidly changing directives from New York State, residents are strongly encouraged to check the Town of Moreau website at (www.townofmoreau.org) for a full list of COVID-19 updates as well as Town-related cancellations, closings and postponements.