

MAYOR'S REPORT

MAY 19, 2020

I would like to start off by saying thank you to the residents of Phillipsburg for following social distancing in the town. By doing this the cases in Phillipsburg are holding steady and there's been fewer cases in several days and recoveries continue to rise. The St. Luke's Covid-19 ward has closed due to the decrease of cases.

We are preparing for the reopening of our Municipal building. Procedures will need to be put in place in order to open safely for both employees and residents. More to come on when this will happen. Also, businesses will be having soft openings soon according to our Warren County Freeholder Jason Sarnoski. I am in contact with Warren County through conference calls a few times a week and will put out a news release as soon as this happens.

NPP is moving forward with the downtown project. You will soon see planters, benches, and much more to make our downtown more inviting to both residents and nonresidents. The plans that Mary Jo and her staff have done are exceptional and a lot of hard work was put into the project. Looking forward to helping and being involved.

Starting this week, the sewer lines will be scoped so the road project can move forward. This is done to make sure there are no problems with the sewer lines before repaving the roads.

Message from the Inspector: Due to the Covid-19, the violations for inspections will be extended 30 days. Please use the time to abate and/or plan with official for an extended date. The Mayor's Office will be flexible and compassionate to those who need more time. You need to contact our inspector (Andrew Melendez) and he will work with you now and in the future as he has already been doing with residents who contact him.

Wilbur and Thomas street will be addressed for a four way stop sign.

The town will honor our fallen heroes on Memorial Day. Look for the excitement that will be in our streets. Do not be alarmed, there will be plenty of noise when this happens.

Respectfully Submitted,
Todd M. Tersigni
Mayor of Phillipsburg