November 13, 2020

A Message from Mayor Annette Iafallo – Updated NYS Guidance Regarding Covid-19, City Hall Open by Appointment Only and Senior Center Closure

Governor Cuomo recently announced updates to the state's guidance for preventing further spread of the Covid-19 virus. At the moment, much of Erie County, including Lackawanna, remains in the yellow zone category. Businesses remain open however, starting at 10:00 p.m. tonight, Friday November 13:

- All restaurants, bars and other state liquor authority establishments must close in-person service from 10:00 p.m. until 5:00 a.m. daily. Indoor and outdoor dining is permitted, but with a 4 person maximum per table. Food-only curbside pickup is allowed after 10:00 p.m. however, alcohol to go is not.
- Gyms will also be required to close at 10:00 p.m.
- The limit for indoor and outdoor gatherings has been reduced to 10, while the maximum capacity for houses of worship remains at 50%.

In the interest of public and employee safety, starting Monday, November 16 the following will be in effect until further notice:

– All business at City Hall will be done by appointment only from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except for the Treasurer's and City Clerk's offices which close at 4:00pm. This information was originally posted to the City website and this Facebook page on November 12.

Office phone numbers and emails are on the City of Lackawanna website at http://lackawannany.gov/contact/.

- This morning we made a difficult but necessary decision to close the Senior Center at 230 Martin Road to the public. No lunches, activities or van services will be provided EXCEPT for Meals on Wheels.

In addition:

The Lackawanna City Council announced earlier this week through the City website and this Facebook page that meetings will be closed to the public, also starting on Monday, November 16. Meetings will be conducted

exclusively through Facebook Live as they were during the On Pause order earlier this year.

And for those with children in Lackawanna Schools, the district has announced plans to shift to full remote learning as of November 23. More information will be provided by the school district.

I ask that EVERYONE do their part to help stop the spread of Covid-19. Further updates will be shared as we receive more information from the state and county.

As always, please stay safe. Wear your mask. And God Bless.

Annette

NOTE: Subscribers to City of Lackawanna automated call messages through the 'Code Red' system will also receive this information later this afternoon. Please share this message with family members, friends and neighbors in Lackawanna who may not have access to a computer/the internet and/or subscribe to the calls. Thank you.