

## EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Whereas, a pandemic emergency exists; and,

Whereas, The Governor has extended the civil state of emergency until June 11, 2020;  
and

Whereas, the Town Council has the authority to take control measures to reduce the spread of the Covid-19 virus; and

Whereas, the Town Council has the authority to enact emergency ordinances under Section C-16 of the Town Charter; and,

Whereas, in order to reduce the potential of any viral transmission within our community; and

Whereas, the pandemic will affect the business community which will need additional Covid-19 related signage; and

Whereas, the pandemic has prevented clambers from doing community service; and

Whereas, the pandemic has interrupted the budget review and municipal elections; and

Whereas, waiving the requirement for written ballots at town meeting will lower the risk of spreading the virus, and

Now Therefore be it ordained that the Town Council declares a pandemic emergency and orders the following:

1. The open town meeting shall be held on June 30, 2020.
2. The secret ballot town meeting shall be held on July 14, 2020.
3. Suspension of all deadlines or timing requirements and written ballot requirements as set forth in the Town Charter Sections C-5, 6D, 31, 34, 36, and 39, as such may pertain to budget review by the Town Council and/or Warrant Committee, nominations for elected public office and all other matters reserved for town meeting vote.
4. Delay the start of the 2020-21 clam license season to September 1, 2020.

5. Suspend enforcement of signage regulations contained in Land Use Ordinance, Chapter 125-67BB to allow additional Covid-19 related signage, provided such additional signage does not impair public safety.