

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

To: Members of the South Windsor Town Council

From: Michael Maniscalco, Town Manager

Subject: Town Manager's Report for 5/17/21 Town Council Meeting

Date: May 13, 2021

COVID-19 Update

I will have numbers of both positive cases and vaccines delivered for the Council the night of the meeting.

Reopening

Consistent with the State of Connecticut, the Town will be reopening its public buildings to the public starting May 19th. Operations may be slightly modified to ensure the safety of the public and staff. As has been the case through the entire pandemic, all services will still be available to the public.

In-Person Meetings

The Town will begin to offer in-person meetings starting May 19th. Additionally, we will offer hybrid meeting options for the Town Council and Planning and Zoning Commission. Similar to the beginning of the pandemic, I am expecting a few bumps along the way, but we are committed to try to get as many meetings going as we can. I would like to preempt May 19th with my appreciation of everyone's flexibility as we again work our way through uncharted waters.

Building Official Update

Our second announcement of the position went better than the first, and we ended up with six applicants who had the appropriate qualifications to fill the position. At the time of this report, first round interviews have taken place, and we are in the process of second round interviews. At the time of the meeting, I may have a final candidate to announce.

Emergency Management Table Top Exercise

Staff have officially started planning for our own Emergency Management tabletop exercise. We have brought a number of agencies together to form a planning committee with the intent of conducting a much larger drill in the fall. What we have found in the past is that statewide drills have not truly tested our systems like we would have hoped. Therefore, by holding a local and regional event, we should be capable of stress testing our plans and systems to see where we can improve to better ensure the safety of our residents.