

TOWN OF LYME  
BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
STEVEN MATTSON  
EXECUTIVE ORDER OF MARCH 13, 2020

Whereas, the Governor of the State of Connecticut has issued declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies, proclaiming a state of emergency throughout the State of Connecticut as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in the United State and confirmed spread in Connecticut; and,

Whereas, under Connecticut Statute 28-8a, the Chief Executive Officer of a municipality has the power and duty to "take such actions as he deems necessary to mitigate the major disaster or emergency ..."; and,

Whereas, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death; and

Whereas, the risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19 appears to be higher for individuals who are 60 years of age or older and for those who have chronic health conditions;

Now, therefore, I, Steven Mattson, Chief Executive Officer of the Town of Lyme, do hereby order and direct:

1. That all municipal buildings and facilities shall prohibit the use of said facilities for non-governmental activities and events effective immediately. Such prohibition shall remain in effect until midnight April 30, 2020 unless modified by a future Executive Order.
2. That all municipal boards and commissions shall suspend their meetings unless conducted via phone-in capabilities effective immediately. Such meetings conducted using phone-in capabilities will continue to be held under the quorum and FOI conditions presently in effect unless suspended by the Governor. Such prohibition shall remain in effect until midnight April 30, 2020 unless modified by a future Executive Order.
3. That the Lyme Town Hall, Lyme Public Library and Lyme Fire Stations will be closed to the general public as a precaution for the protection of the employees and First Responders. Town business will continue to be conducted by the town's employees and the general public is instructed to communicate their needs by phone, mail or email for such assistance as may be available. Such prohibition shall remain in effect until midnight April 30, 2020 unless modified by a future Executive Order.

Dated at Lyme, Connecticut, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.



Steven Mattson  
First Selectman and  
Chief Executive Officer