

## Mayor's Message March 15 - Coronavirus Measures

Hardwick Township has declared a state of emergency as a result of spread of the coronavirus. Hardwick Town Hall will remain open for business for now but we strongly encourage all residents to call instead of coming to the building. The safety of our staff is most important and we ask for your cooperation during this public crisis. If you want to drop off tax payments or any other documents, please leave them in the incoming mail slot on the town mailbox in the driveway entrance. To protect our office staff, Hardwick is providing them the option of working from home while we make every effort to continue to conduct municipal business during this period. Please make every effort to use the phone or email during this period to protect our employees and reduce the risk of spreading the virus.

Please note that until further notice, all Hardwick regularly scheduled meetings for Open Space, Land Use Board, Senior Citizens and mid month Committee meetings are cancelled until further notice. The status of the first Wednesday of the month regular Committee meetings has yet to be determined but we are researching ways to conduct those meetings virtually and will share that information when a decision is confirmed.

In order to keep you informed throughout this crisis, we will post regular updates on the Township web site and on several local Facebook sites. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and I am confident that by working together as a community we will successfully navigate our way through this crisis.