The City of Baraboo is continuing to monitor the status of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak. At this point, we are encouraging the community to take the following measures to reduce exposure to themselves and City staff.

The health and safety of the citizens of Baraboo is top priority of the Baraboo Common Council. The Council and staff are working diligently to meet the needs of our citizens in light of the disruption and uncertainty over COVID-19.

City of Baraboo staff remain in close and regular communication with the Sauk County Health Department, Emergency Management, and other local, state and federal agencies tasked with monitoring and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**EMERGENCY DECLARATION ISSUED**
The City of Baraboo Mayor has issued an Emergency Declaration for the City of Baraboo. This further invokes emergency actions that can be taken during this pandemic. Please see the City’s website for the full Declaration.

**CITY HALL AND POLICE DEPARTMENT RESTRICTED ACCESS:**
The City’s Municipal Building (a/k/a City Hall and PD) has restricted access except for absentee voting/registration for the April 7th election. However, mailed ballots and on-line registration is encouraged. City Hall staff will remain working. Appointments may be scheduled, however face-to-face meetings are discouraged.

**GENERAL INQUIRIES:**
Please call (608) 355-2700 or email info@cityofbaraboo.com rather than visit. We can likely complete your request or transaction without in-person interactions. To report street or utility issues, please use the "Report an Issue" found in the blue ribbon in the center of the City's website, www.cityofbaraboo.com, or email info@cityofbaraboo.com.

**UTILITY PAYMENTS:**
Please make utility payments by U.S. Mail, online, through our drive-up window or use our drop box. To pay online, visit www.cityofbaraboo.com and click on “Make Online Payment” on the top menu. The City’s drop box is permanently located near drive-up window outside the upper (Lynn Street) entrance of City Hall.

**PERMITS OR LICENSES:**
All permits and licenses must be completed online. If you have building inspection questions, please e-mail or call Building Inspector at mkrautkramer@cityofbaraboo.com or (608) 963-6152.

**CITY GOVERNMENT MEETINGS:**
All non-essential City committee and commission meetings are cancelled. The City’s essential meetings will occur as needed. A phone number will be provided on agendas for audio participation.

**VOTING: APRIL 7, 2020, SPRING ELECTION AND PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE VOTE**
Requesting a Ballot by Mail: To request a ballot be mailed to you at home please visit the MyVote website (https://myvote.wi.gov). You may be required to submit photo identification with your application. Please visit the “Bring it to the Ballot” website (https://bringit.wi.gov/)
for information on accepted photo identification. The deadline for requesting a ballot by mail is 5:00 p.m. on April 2, 2020.

Registering to Vote: To register to vote online, the address on your driver’s license or identification card must be current. You can change your address online with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Please allow 24 hours after you change your address with the Department of Transportation before registering to vote online. You can also print your application from this site and mail it to the clerk’s office. Proof of residence is required with your mailed application. The deadline to register to vote online or by mail is March 18, 2020. After this date, you must appear in person.

CITY OF BARABOO LIBRARY CLOSURE:
The Library is closed as of Monday, March 17. At this time, we will tentatively plan to re-open when Baraboo School District re-opens. This will be subject to change based on recommendations from local health officials. Please watch our website, www.baraboopubliclibrary.org.

CIVIC CENTER AND ZOO CLOSURE:
The Civic Center and Zoo are closed. Use of park facilities and equipment is discouraged.

BARABOO POLICE DEPARTMENT CHANGES:
The police department is doing its due diligence to ensure the health and safety of the public and department staff. The police department is encouraging citizens to continue to call 911 for emergencies or, for non-emergencies, contact the dispatch center at (608) 355-4495 anytime (24/7) to speak to an officer over the phone for police related matters. The police department will respond to calls involving life safety, crimes in progress and emergency situations. If you are in need of vehicle registration please use the DOT online services. The police department’s business office has restricted access at this time. Please call the Police Department at (608) 355-2720 with non-emergency inquiries from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (M-F).

P2D2 – We recommend holding onto unused and unwanted medications until the health emergency has subsided. If medications must be dropped off, please use the red phone in the police department vestibule. An officer will pick up the medications for proper disposal.

CITY SERVICES CENTER CLOSURE:
The Public Works/Utilities shop is closed to the public.

BARABOO TRANSIT-SHARED RIDE SERVICE:
The transit service is running as usual. Contact them at (608) 356-8300 to schedule a ride. If service levels change, alerts will be posted on our website and/or on radio broadcast.

GENERAL COUNTY, STATE & NATIONAL HEALTH INFO:
Prevent the spread - wash your hands regularly for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, cover your coughs and sneezes, and stay home when you are ill.
Sauk County Public Health Sauk County Public Health is working closely with state and national partners to prepare our communities for this public health threat. (https://www.co.sauk.wi.us/publichealth)