

Somers Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC)

Meeting Agenda

6.30.20

Kibbe Fuller School

7:00pm

1. Review feedback from various town officials. Identify specifically:
 - what we as a town have learned thus far;
 - what things went well;
 - what things could be improved upon moving forward;
 - what things did not work at all; and
 - what things still need to get done
2. Identify immediate needs as of today: Individuals (high, medium and low risk), and businesses (create spread sheet and identify all the registered businesses and contact information, put them into sectors (see below) so that we track them throughout each phase.

Recommend some marketing effort by DSS so that all residents know what services are available to them.

Sectors are as follows: Retail, accommodations, sports, restaurants, bars, manufacturing, professional and financial, personal services and small business, construction and development, arts, churches, entertainment venues, and services operations and non-profits.

3. Emergency Plans/Crisis Communication Plan – (Glen Reynolds)
 - Facebook, Twitter
 - Everbridge
 - Virtual Press Conferences with Selectmen and/or EMD
 - Town Website
 - Radio Station
 - Mailing for those that are not connected to the internet

Recommend having a Covid-19 section on the town website for public comment and recommendations regarding the town's response thus far.

Recommend creating a survey monkey to send out to businesses and to also post link on social media/website to invite individuals to take part in survey to share their specific experiences and the impact the pandemic has had, along with what assistance they may need to recover.

The sooner we identify the town's verified unmet recovery needs such as food, health and medical needs, rent and mortgages, utilities and banking assistance, mental health, crisis counseling, the sooner we can complete an Impact Assessment and then, as a town, advocate for resources and funding at the local, state and federal level.

6. Record keeping/Timeline of Events – Memorializing this entire pandemic and the Community’s response is essential. Assign this responsibility.

Schedule next meeting: 7.7.20 at 7:00pm

Committee Members:

Chris Boucher

Anne Cournoyer

Jeff Golden

Jeff Lipton

Dave Marti

Allison Maynard

Paul Salva

Bill Shapiro

Glen Reynolds (Liaison)