COVID-19 COMMUNITY UPDATE

The Borough has just been notified by the Monmouth County Regional Health Commission of its first confirmed positive Covid-19 case in Shrewsbury.

In light of the positive tests in our surrounding communities, this was not unexpected. It is anticipated that in the coming days - as testing becomes more readily available to the public - we will see more positive notifications within Shrewsbury. These likely increases of reported positive cases should not cause undue panic or alarm.

Rest assured that we are doing everything in our power to ensure the health, safety and welfare of our community. In compliance with the directive issued by the New Jersey Attorney General, the Borough is utilizing this information to mitigate potential exposure to our first responders. Other than the existence of this positive test, the Borough can release no further information.

We are all in this together. And, as such, we should all take responsible actions to protect ourselves, our families and our neighbors. We ask that residents comply with recommendations to limit the spread of this disease – such as frequent washing of your hands. And we want to stress to everyone how critically important social distancing is at this time.

If you believe that you're exhibiting symptoms of Covid-19, DO NOT go directly to the hospital or your medical doctor. Instead call your medical provider, who will then provide guidance as to what steps you should next take.

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding Covid-19 please contact the County Health Department hotline (732) 845-2070 or the Monmouth County Regional Health Commission at (732) 493-9520. Additionally, you can text "NJCOVID" to 898-211 in order to receive updates from the state. You can also dial 2-1-1 with questions or concerns.

Unless you are experiencing an emergency, please do not call 911 or Shrewsbury dispatch.

We are certain that our community will rise to the challenges posed in these trying times. Take care of yourselves and your neighbors.

Be well and stay healthy.

--- Mayor and Council