TOWN OF JEFFERSON'S RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATED 07/13/2020

Although a number of restrictions imposed by the Executive Orders of South Carolina Governor concerning the COVID-19 Virus have been lifted, the Town of Jefferson remains committed to encouraging its citizens to stay diligent in their personal approach to fighting this dreaded world-wide pandemic. In order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of our residents and visitors, the town has modified its operations as follows:

- Baseball activities of the recreation department began play a few weeks ago with oversight of the recreation director with a clear understanding by teams and coaches on how to best protect themselves.
- The parks and playgrounds continue to remain open for individual use only.
- The Community Center began taking reservations last week and is operating at half capacity. Renters are given instructions on social distancing and the limited capacity.
- The Town Hall has begun opening to the public, but the public is still encouraged to pay their utility bill, business license, or fine through the mail or leave payment in the town's drop box located outside town hall.
- Water service can now be disconnected for non-payment after the restriction was lifted by the Governor. The Town is, and has always been, willing to work with customers on establishing a play for payment, if necessary.
- Municipal court operations have begun operating their normal schedule.
- Regularly scheduled town council meetings began operating in June but have been scheduled in the Community Center to allow for greater social distancing.
- The town council may conduct special meetings to enact emergency ordinances as needed in accordance with Section 5-7-250(d) of the South Carolina Code of Laws.
- We encourage residents to wear masks whenever they enter any public building or retail establishment and practice social distancing whenever possible.

The safety of our citizens and our staff is the highest priority of the town and it is our hope that these updated changes to our operations allow the public some opportunity to return to some semblance of normalcy and will still aid in the prevention or spread of COVID-19 in our community. Please contact Town Hall at 843-658-7600 with any questions or concerns during this time. Thank you. Stay safe!

Sincerely,

Chuck W. Raley, Jr.

Mayor