

A Note from Mayor Gordon Stone

"Thank you, Pike Road, for your ongoing commitment to making smart, responsible decisions. Your diligence has helped keep our community healthy and allowed for more flexibility and fewer restrictions as we progress through the challenges of COVID-19. This week, we had the pleasure of gathering with businessmen and women from across town for our first blended Business Association Lunch & Learn. It was exciting to see the energy of our local business community as they joined us both in-person and virtually to network and learn about leadership together for the first time in over a year. On July 1, we look forward to celebrating the patriotic spirit of our community with you at SummerFest! Join us at Cottonwood Golf Club and Rolling Hills Park for a family-friendly fireworks show. Fireworks will light up the Pike Road sky. We can't wait to see you!

As you enjoy vacation, recreation, and all the opportunities summer has to offer, please recognize the value of continuing to protect yourselves and others, and exercise personal responsibility as it relates to COVID-19. We encourage you to keep a mask handy and honor the requests of individual businesses and organizations who have health precautions in place. The Town of Pike Road's municipal facilities are open to the public, but we ask visitors to remain safety-conscious. Thank you for your diligence and understanding. We also want to remind you that the COVID-19 vaccines are an excellent tool to help protect ourselves, our families, and our community, and we encourage you to explore opportunities to receive a vaccine. In Alabama, individuals ages 12+ are now eligible to receive the vaccine. Click here to learn more about COVID-19 vaccine safety, eligibility, and availability from Alabama Public Health.

Summertime is a busy season for travel, and we encourage you to be safe on the roadways. We also want to say thank you to our public safety partners and first responders for all they do to protect us at home and on the road. Throughout the month of June, we are pleased to share a short video series discussing the variety of community safety programs offered by the MCSO, which are designed to help save lives and protect our homes and businesses. Be sure to check out our Summer Safety video series, presented in partnership with Sheriff Cunningham and the MCSO, to learn more – just visit us on Facebook or at www.pikeroad.us!

On the horizon, we hope you will continue to engage in upcoming ENHANCE initiative programs like the Pike Road Arts Council's I've Been Everywhere, Man! Art Show and our monthly Ag & Stewardship workshop series. No matter your interests, there is something for everyone to enjoy in the Town of Pike Road! Stay in touch so you never miss an event or news from Town Hall: Visit www.pikeroad.us to register for our weekly e-newsletter, find us on social media (just search @townofpikeroad), and don't forget to join the conversation on our monthly Mondays with the Mayor radio program!

The Town of Pike Road team continues to be ready and available to serve you, and we encourage you to schedule an appointment via phone or email if you need to meet with one of our team members. You can also find a variety of municipal resources on our website, www.pikeroad.us. We look forward to serving you!

As always, we will continue to pray for you, and we encourage you to pray for each other. Thank you for all you do: Together, we will come through this.

Thank you and God Bless."

Community Updates & Reminders from the Town of Pike Road Regarding COVID-19

Pike Road, ALA – On May 3, 2021, Governor Kay Ivey announced the new Safer Apart Order. This order updates the required COVID-19 precautions and encourages each of us to exercise our personal responsibility and make safe choices that help keep our community healthy. The Safer Apart Order continues through July 6, 2021. To learn more about this order, please click here. Based on the current Safer At Home order and recommendations of social distancing, the following policies and procedures will apply in the Town of Pike Road:

- Town Hall and all municipal facilities are open to public access. Face coverings are no longer required in municipal buildings, but we continue to encourage visitors and members of the Town of Pike Road team to practice safety precautions and exercise personal responsibility. Face masks will continue to be available upon request. This policy includes Founders Station and the Pike Road Arts Center. Municipal services continue to be accessible via phone and email, and we encourage you to make an appointment if you need to meet with a member of our team. Please contact our team to learn how we can help serve you!
 - o Call: (334) 272-9883
 - o Email: info@pikeroad.us
 - o Visit: www.pikeroad.us to access resources regarding municipal services, local updates, and more.



- Events at municipal facilities are being assessed on a case-by-case basis, and events scheduled for the coming months are being
 evaluated. However, we will continue to offer a variety of virtual events through our ENHANCE initiative, and we look forward
 to more traditional events as we move forward. Based on facility availability and guidance from ADPH, municipal facilities will
 soon transition to be available for public use.
- The Recycling Depot is open for recycling drop-off three days per week: It will open at 8 a.m. on Tuesdays and remain open until 5 p.m. on Thursdays. This schedule is subject to change based on the safety requirements of the ongoing COVID-19 challenge, and we ask that you utilize the Recycling Depot respectfully and with consideration for the Town of Pike Road team that maintains it.

Any changes or updates to this policy will be based primarily on CDC and ADPH recommendations. Citizens will be notified via our enewsletter and normal communications methods, including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Follow this link to register for our weekly e-newsletter, and receive updates in your inbox each Friday: http://bit.ly/TPRenews. We want to reiterate that we are here to help.

As the COVID-19 challenge continues in our community and beyond, we encourage you to personally review information provided by trustworthy organizations with recommendations from experts, such as the continuously updated pages available below:

- Alabama Public Health: https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19/index.html
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html