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A statement from the office of Mayor Alysa Plummer

We are issuing a statement about the circumstances occurring on September 13th at Pontillo's Pizza located in Pittsford Village. Until we had received verification directly from the Sheriff's Department, we did not want to pass along incorrect information. The events occurred as follows:

A person was found parked in their car behind Pontillo's. They were unresponsive to knocking on the window. The car was locked. A medical call was placed to 911. On arrival by first responders, the person in the car was awake and talking. The person was evaluated, and the situation was deemed non-life threatening. It was also determined the person in the car was affiliated with Pontillo's.

On entering Pontillo's needles were found. Under New York State law possession of needles, specifically, is not illegal. According to the Sheriff's Office they did not find evidence of drug sales on the premises.

The Town Code Enforcement Officer was called at this time and, because Pontillo's is under Village jurisdiction, he immediately called the Village Building Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) who also is the Village Fire Marshall. The Monroe County Health Department also was called to the premises.

The Village CEO/ Village Fire Marshall found a number of violations regarding fire and building codes and immediately issued an order to close the business. Regardless of the circumstances with the person found in the car and the Sheriff's response, the CEO/Fire Marshall did his job taking quick action on behalf of the public's safety.

Pontillo's will only be permitted to reopen when the outstanding code violations have been rectified. Again, bear in mind the actions taken by the Village Code Enforcement Officer would have occurred regardless of the circumstances of the compromised person in the car. The prompt actions taken by our Village code enforcement officer and all other agencies involved in this situation is greatly appreciated.