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1. We continue in a pandemic, with local hospitals on diversion and at capacity of ICU beds, Care givers are stretched to the limit and overwhelmed by the magnitude of death surrounding them daily.
2. Health officials continue to strongly advised mask wearing and distancing indoors (or in close contact outdoors),
3. Fully half of our residents are not fully vaccinated,
4. Public officials are duty-bound to set examples for the well being of their constituents,
5. This is non political. It is common sense. It has nothing to do with personal choice or freedom, but only our fellow man.

Wearing a mask isn't about you. It is about my brother who is a bone marrow transplant patient, your grandmother with long standing pulmonary disease (even though they are vaccinated). Even a breakthrough infection could be serious/fatal to them. I really don't care much about the unvaccinated; they have made their choice, a bad one. They have not walked through an ICU and seen healthy young adults and innocent children fighting for air.

But the minimum a local council can do is set an example to help protect, as best we can along with vaccination, the common folk.

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