

AMENDED RESOLUTION #2020-021

A RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY LIMITING ACCESS TO THE WAGONER COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND ALL OTHER COUNTY OWNED PROPERTIES TO THOSE WHO DO NOT POSE A SIGNIFICANT RISK OF HAVING COVID-19 AND WHO CONSTITUTE ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL OR WHO NEED TO ATTEND TO A MATTER PENDING, OR BRING AN EMERGENCY MATTER, BEFORE THE WAGONER COUNTY DISTRICT COURT OR NEED TO CONDUCT A CRITICAL TRANSACTION REQUIRING THE ASSISTANCE OF A COUNTY OFFICE

WHEREAS, the President of the United State has declared a National Emergency due to the threat from a novel coronavirus that causes respiratory illness referred to as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Oklahoma Governor J. Kevin Stitt issued Executive Order 2020-07 declaring an emergency in all 77 Oklahoma Counties caused by the impending threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Wagoner County Board of County Commissioners has approved an emergency proclamation on March 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, various county offices, courtrooms and other locations in the Wagoner County Courthouse regularly traffic in crowds in excess of ten (10) or more people; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recommended that gatherings of 10 people or more in the United States be temporarily cancelled or postponed because of the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in carrying out the provisions of the Oklahoma Emergency Management Act of 2003, 63 O.S. § 683.18 authorizes the governing bodies of the political subdivisions of the state to utilize the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of existing departments, offices and agencies of the political subdivisions to the maximum extent practicable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WAGONER, STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

The general public is strongly encouraged to refrain from doing any nonessential business at the Wagoner County Courthouse and all other County owned properties.

No one shall be permitted access to the Wagoner County Courthouse or other County owned properties who:

- has been diagnosed with, or has had direct contact within the past two weeks with anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19;
- has apparent symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever, severe cough, or shortness of breath
- has been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital, board of health, or other medical provider, or health agency, or who resides with anyone who has been asked to self-quarantine;

- has traveled to one of the following countries within the past 30 days: China, Italy or any other European country, Iran, Japan and/or South Korea.

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Wagoner finds that it is both reasonable and necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of its employees, constituents and the public at large to temporarily reduce access to the Wagoner County Courthouse and other county owned properties to those who do not pose a significant risk of having COVID-19 and who constitute essential personnel or who need to attend to a matter pending, or bring an emergency matter, before the Wagoner County District Court or need to conduct a critical transaction requiring the assistance of a County Office. Exceptions will be made for the press and as required by the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.

County Officers and Division Directors may reduce their on-site staff to essential personnel. Remaining staff may be required to work from home, or to stay at home, all as determined by, and upon the conditions set by the County Officer or Division Director.

Any County employee asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital, board of health, or other medical provider, or health agency, or who resides with anyone who has been asked to self-quarantine, shall report same to his or her County supervisor immediately, and shall not return to work for a minimum of fourteen (14) days, but in no event shall any employee return to work while suffering from COVID-19.

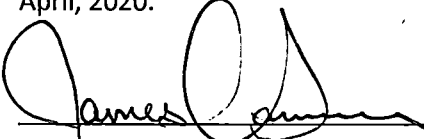
County Officers shall make every effort to inform the public as to the various means and manner of conducting County business by mail, electronic mail, telephone, teleconference, video conference, or other suitable means that does not involve direct personal contact.

The Board of County Commissioners of Wagoner County joins others in making the following recommendations:

1. Listen to and follow the directions of federal, state and local authorities.
2. If you feel sick, stay home and contact your medical provider. Do not go to work.
3. If your children are sick, keep them at home and contact their medical provider.
4. If someone in your household has tested positive for COVID-19, keep the entire household at home and contact your medical provider
5. If you are an older person, stay home and away from other people.
6. If you are a person with a serious underlying health condition that can put you at an increased risk, stay home and away from other people.
7. Avoid gatherings in groups of more than ten (10) people.
8. Restaurants, dining rooms, and dine-in service areas are encouraged to move to pick-up, drive-through, and delivery service only.
9. Gymnasiums, fitness facilities, entertainment venues, movie theaters, bowling alleys, private clubs, bars and lounges are recommended to close until the expiration of the emergency declaration.

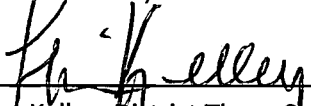
THIS RESOLUTION IS TEMPORARY AND WILL BE EFFECTIVE UPON EXECUTION AND EXPIRE MAY 4, 2020, UNLESS RENEWED FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF TIME BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAGONER COUNTY IN OPEN MEETING.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners, Wagoner County, Oklahoma, signed this 9th day of April, 2020.


James Hanning, District One Commissioner

4-9-20


Chris Edwards, District Two Commissioner


Tim Kelley, District Three Commissioner

4/9/20


Attest: Lori Hendricks, County Clerk

