

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-03-01

AN ORDINANCE CREATING EMERGENCY MEASURES RELATED TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC; ACKNOWLEDGING THE MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the coronavirus COVID-19 disease to be a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency; due to the COVID-19 disease pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the Governor of the State of Oklahoma has declared an emergency caused by the impending threat of COVID-19 to the people of this State and the public's peace, health and safety; and

WHEREAS, March 20, 2020, Mayor George Peters issued an Emergency Proclamation declaring an emergency in the Town of Oologah; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to reinforce and strengthen the measures included in the Emergency Proclamation; and

WHEREAS, in consultation with the Rogers County Health Department and the Rogers County Medical Association, the Council has determined that further actions are necessary to protect the safety of the citizens of Oologah; and

WHEREAS, Title 11 Section 22-120 of Oklahoma statutes grants municipal bodies broad authority to "make regulations to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases into the municipality and may enforce quarantine laws within five (5) miles of the municipal limits";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF OOLOGAH, OKLAHOMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: All existing special event permits are hereby revoked and no further special event permits will be issued while these measures remain in effect.

SECTION 2: Municipal Court is hereby suspended until June 2, 2020, other than by teleconference where required. No further failure to appear warrants will be issued or served while these measures remain in effect.

SECTION 3: Public gatherings of greater than 10 people will not be allowed at any Town owned or managed facilities except as required by law.

SECTION 4: The Oologah Public Library is hereby closed to the public.

SECTION 5: All Town committee meetings are hereby canceled except for Board of Trustees meetings of the Town and its Public Trusts. These Boards are encouraged to meet only when absolutely necessary. When meeting, the Boards will attempt to utilize the provisions of Senate bill 661 and to conduct teleconference meetings where technologically possible. In order to simplify implementation of teleconference meetings, the requirement for

citizens to be heard is hereby suspended for all meetings during the duration of this emergency.

SECTION 6: The use of Town owned meeting rooms for public gatherings of any size is hereby prohibited. Meeting rooms may still be used by Town staff when necessary.

SECTION 7: All in-person gatherings for social, spiritual, and recreational purposes, including, but not limited to community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based, or sporting events; parades, concerts, festivals, conventions, fundraisers and similar activities are strongly discouraged while these measures are in effect.

SECTION 8: Effective 11:59 P.M., Thursday, March 26, 2020 and continuing so long as this ordinance is in effect, all restaurants are restricted to providing only drive-through, take-out, or delivery of food, sale of pre-packaged alcohol as authorized for sale under state law, or sale of other retail items as authorized for sale under state law. These restrictions shall not apply to institutional or in-house food cafeterias that service residents, employees, and clients of businesses, child care facilities, medical clinics, and long-term care facilities.

SECTION 9: Effective 11:59 P.M., Thursday, March 26, 2020 and continuing so long as this ordinance is in effect, massage therapists, barber shops, haircut and styling shops, and spas shall operate only under the following conditions: by appointment only with no walk-in customers; appointments shall not be scheduled and held within 15 minutes of the preceding appointment; the individual client shall not bring more than one person, including children, to be present within the facility during an appointment; and that all workstations are hereby required to have a minimum of (six) 6 feet of space from the adjoining workstation, to promote social distancing.

SECTION 10: The restrictions imposed by this Ordinance do not apply to any of the following:

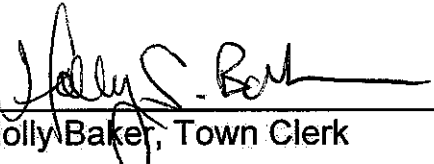
1. Places of public accommodation that offer food and beverage not for on-premises consumption, including grocery stores, markets, convenience stores, pharmacies, drug stores, and food pantries, other than those portions of the place of public accommodation subject to the requirements of this section;
2. Health care facilities, child care facilities, and residential care facilities, congregate care facilities; and
3. Crisis shelters, soup kitchens, or similar institutions.

SECTION 11: The Mayor is directed and authorized to take the following actions:

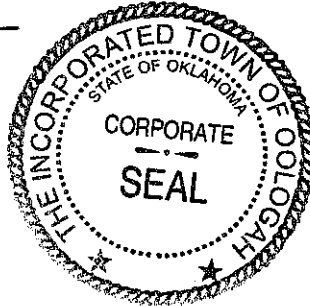
TOWN OF OOLOGAH, OKLAHOMA
a municipal corporation

By: 
George Peters, Mayor

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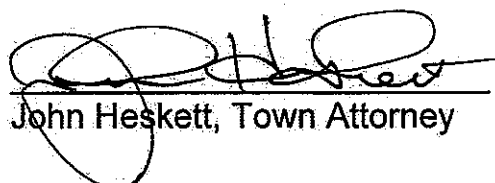
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Holly Baker, Town Clerk

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