

FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF March 19, 2020
MEETING NUMBER 2020-09
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
5:00 P.M.



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The Board of County Commissioners met in special session in the Commission Chambers at the Ford County Government Center.

Those present were:

Chris Boys, Chairman (Join by Phone)
Ken W. Snook, Commissioner
Shawn Tasset, Commissioner

J.D. Gilbert, County Administrator
Debbie Cox, County Clerk

Commissioner Tasset called the meeting to order, and then led the group in pray and the pledge of allegiance.

Disaster Declaration

Resolution NO. 2020-07 PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY FOR FORD COUNTY, KANSAS

This proclamation will allow the active the response and recovery aspects of any and all local and inter jurisdictional disaster emergency plans which are applicable to Ford County, Kansas. This proclamation will be in effect for 14 days unless terminated earlier or renewed by the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to K.S.A. 48-9322(a). Ford County Legal Counsel, Mr. Glenn Kerbs stated that the effect date should be changed to 60 days to follow what the Governor approved for the State.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-07 PROCLAMATON OF A STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY FOR FORD COUNTY, KANSAS with the effect date changed from 14 days to 60 days. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3-0.

County Services

Commissioner Tasset and Commissioner Snook stated they have changed how they think about this virus. Chairman Boys stated the County need 's to stay ahead of it. We need to be doing more to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus. Commissioner Tasset stated that the Board should have a Meeting on March 30, 2020, the fifth Monday of the month as well as the regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Mondays to keep up on this. Chairman Boys stated he received an email from Joann Knight, the Boot Hill Distillery has a way to make 11,000 bottles of hand sanitizer his expense is \$2,500. With donations, they could

make more. These will be free to the public. Chairman Boys would like to have the County be a part of that and donate to help the Distillery with their production of hand sanitizer.

Commissioner Tasset moved Ford County offices close for all in person operations, for all non-essential departments to be closed; being Friday March 20, 2020. Only essential personnel will be allowed access to those facilities with Ford County department heads to determine what will be considered nonessential. Employees will be paid administrative leave. Fire, EMS, Law Enforcement, and Communications are essential services and will be working. This policy will be looked at every meeting. There will be a meeting March 30, 2020 to determine the next step to take. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Adjournment

Commissioner Tasset moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FORD COUNTY, KANSAS**

Chris Boys, Chairman

ATTEST:

Debbie Cox, County Clerk