

RESOLUTION 2020-12

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A TETON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared a pandemic from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, an epidemic of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) has occurred across the United States, including the State of Montana; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bullock declared an emergency within the State of Montana for COVID-19 by Executive Order on March 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Teton County Commission has the authority to issue an emergency proclamation pursuant to Section 10-3-402, MCA; and

WHEREAS, the Teton County Commission has the authority to transfer funds for emergency relief pursuant to Section 7-31-2101 MCA; and

WHEREAS, the Teton County Commission has the authority to levy emergency tax pursuant to Section 10-3-405 MCA; and

WHEREAS, the preparation for an epidemic of COVID-19 by local health services began incurring costs in March 2020 that have continued to accumulate; and

WHEREAS, the need for medical services essential to ensure the health, safety and welfare of residents of the County will be provided by local medical facilities and the Teton County Public Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the County will commit all available resources, and will take all possible action to combat and to alleviate the situation, local resources will not be adequate to cope with the situation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners that a Declaration of a Public Health Emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Section 10-3-402, MCA, because expenditures for response to this pandemic may be beyond the financial capability of the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an emergency exists in Teton County as described in Sections 10-3-103 and 10-3-402.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Teton County Commission has all rights and authority granted to it by the laws of the State of Montana and Section 10-3-406, MCA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there may be appropriated immediately an amount equivalent to two (2) mills on the taxable valuation of the County outside the incorporated municipalities, pursuant to Section 10-3-405 MCA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, County Treasurer and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena, Montana.

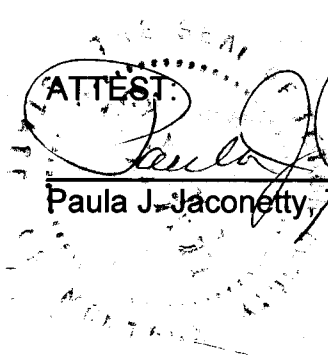
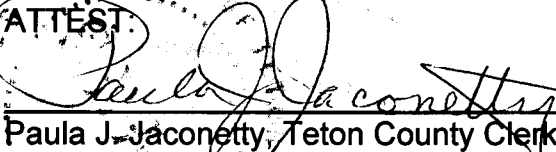
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Teton County Commission shall provide public notice of this Emergency Proclamation pursuant to Section 10-3-404 MCA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the TETON County Board of County Commissioners this 23rd day of March, 2020.


James E. Hodgskiss, Chairman


Joe Dellwo, Vice-Chairman


Richard Snellman, Member


ATTEST:

Paula J. Jaconetty, Teton County Clerk and Recorder