

Resolution # 20-01

Resolution for Declaration of Public Health Emergency

STATE OF WISCONSIN

Town of Barnes

Bayfield County

The Town Board of the Town of Barnes, Bayfield County, Wisconsin, by this resolution adopted by a majority of the town board on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, resolves and orders as follows:

A Public Health Emergency exists in the potential spread of coronavirus, now named Covid-19 in the Town of Barnes, Bayfield County, Wisconsin.

The period of emergency shall be limited to the time during which the emergency conditions are likely to exist in the Town of Barnes.

The town board, or its designated agents, has the authority to order whatever is necessary and expedient for the health, safety, welfare, and good order of the Town of Barnes during the emergency.

1. The Town Board designates Emergency Operations Coordinator as lead agency to advise Town Board in appropriate measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community.
2. All town meetings have been cancelled with the exception of Town Board Meetings that are essential to public health, safety and welfare.
3. Town Office is closed to the public until further notice. Members of the community can make appointment by calling 715-795-2782 and Town Clerk will allow access to the individuals.
4. Election Day is April 7th, and the Town of Barnes is encouraging early voting by absentee ballot. Electors can go to www.myvote.wi.gov to request a ballot to be mailed.
5. Beginning immediately, the Barnes Transfer site will be closed on Sundays until further notice. Disposal will be limited to household garbage and recycling at this time; normal fees will be waived until further notice. Contact numbers are Town Clerk 715-795-2782 and Garage 715-795-2573. The Transfer site will remain open only on Wednesdays 8:00 – 2:00 and will be manned by Highway Crew.
6. All public buildings will be closed until further notice.
7. Due to the potential spread of COVID-19, all part-time employees will be temporarily furloughed beginning Tuesday, March 24, 2020.
8. The Town Board would like to encourage the use of certifiable websites to obtain information: World Health Organization (www.who.int), CDC (www.cdc.gov), Wisconsin Department of Health Services (www.dhs.wisconsin.gov), Bayfield County Health Dept. (www.bayfieldcounty.org/141/health).
9. Many of the businesses are offering take-out groceries and take-out meals, some are offering delivery. Please support these businesses as they struggle to stay open during this crisis.
10. Be safe, stay home, wash hands, sanitize often.

Adopted this 23rd day of March, 2020.

Signed: Christine Webb
Christine Webb, Town Chair

Attest: Judy Bourassa
Judy Bourassa, Town Clerk