

RESOLUTION
Town of Grand Rapids
Wood County, Wisconsin

RESOLUTION NO: 2020-11

RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE TOWN OF GRAND RAPIDS

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization designated the 2019 Novel Coronavirus outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. The United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a Public Health Emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation’s healthcare community in responding to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus “COVID-19.” COVID-19 is a contagious, and at times fatal, respiratory disease. The worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the United States significantly affect the lives and health of our people, as well as the economy, and is a disaster that impacts the health, security and safety of the public; and

WHEREAS, an emergency, namely the COVID-19 Pandemic, impacted the Central Wisconsin area beginning March 15, 2020. The State of Wisconsin has declared a Public Health Emergency, and on March 13, 2020 the Governor of the State of Wisconsin ordered the closure of public and private schools; and

WHEREAS, the conditions created by the proclamation of these public health emergencies pose a continuing and substantial threat to public order, life, health and safety of the citizens of the Town of Grand Rapids; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Grand Rapids, in cooperation with the local, state and federal governmental entities desire to take action to prevent exposure to and spread of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus “COVID-19.”

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 323.11 the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Grand Rapids hereby declares a State of Emergency and hereby order as follows:

- Authorize emergency purchases of goods, materials and services
- Authorize emergency costs to the labor force
- Authorize those Town Officials/Department Heads who have charge and control of Town facilities to take such actions, including but not limited to, the rescheduling and cancelling of events and limiting public access to portions of the facilities, as they deem reasonable and necessary to prevent exposure to and/or spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Declaration of Emergency shall be limited to this date until May 15, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. By this declaration, the Town of Grand Rapids requests State assistance and advises the State of Wisconsin of our emergency conditions.

Motion		For	Against	Abstain	Absent	ACTION TAKEN
_____ Arne Nystrom		[✓]	[]	[]	[]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted as presented
_____ Bill Clendenning		[✓]	[]	[]	[]	<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted as amended
<u> 2 </u> Dan Paulsen		[✓]	[]	[]	[]	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejected
_____ Patty Lumby		[✓]	[]	[]	[]	<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled until _____
<u> 1 </u> Andrew Simon		[✓]	[]	[]	[]	<input type="checkbox"/> Referred to _____

Dated this 19th day of March, 2020.

By: Arne Nystrom
 Arne Nystrom, Town Chairman

I, Lisa Dotter, Clerk for the Town of Grand Rapids, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution which was adopted on the 19th day of March, 2020 by the Town Board, Town of Grand Rapids, County of Wood.

Attest: Lisa Dotter
 Lisa Dotter, Clerk