

TOWN OF COLLBRAN, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 4
SERIES OF 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF
COLLBRAN, COLORADO DECLARING A LOCAL DISASTER
EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a highly contagious virus that spread to numerous countries around the world, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 a public health emergency of international concern, and on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared the virus a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of Colorado declared a State of Emergency for the State of Colorado due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, as of March 12, 2020, there is at least 1 known case of COVID-19 in Mesa County; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board anticipates that without appropriately responding to the illness, numbers of cases will rise, may result in serious illness or death for certain members of the community, and also may have the effect of interrupting the functioning of the community in terms of work attendance, school attendance, and the like; and

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovering from the impact of the ensuing event is far in excess of the Town's available resources; and

WHEREAS, Colorado law provides for declaring a local disaster emergency to assist local governments in responding to and recovering from emergency events, including epidemics; and

WHEREAS, "The effect of a declaration of local disaster emergency is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster and emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans." C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(2).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF COLLBRAN, COLORADO, THAT:

1. Incorporation of Recitals. The above recitals are hereby incorporated as findings by the Town of Collbran

2. Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency. It is hereby determined that the presence of the COVID-19 virus within Mesa County, and is anticipated to impact Collbran, constitutes a local disaster emergency that warrants the mobilizing of emergency response and the furnishing of aid and assistance by the Town of Collbran. The state of disaster emergency shall remain in effect until terminated by the Town Board.

3. Powers. This Resolution grants to the Town Manager all emergency powers set forth in the Town of Collbran Municipal Code including but not limited to the ability to implement the following measures in addition to such other measures as may be necessary and appropriate:

- Altering Town Hall hours, operations, including but not limited to closing Town Hall.
- Cancelling or modifying senior transportation.
- Providing for phone-in Town Board meetings pursuant to the Emergency Electronic Participation Policy adopted by the Town of Collbran.
- Altering employee work schedules.

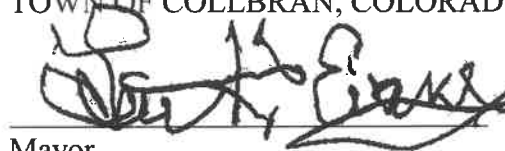
4. File Resolution. This Resolution shall be promptly filed with the Colorado Office of Emergency Management.

THIS RESOLUTION was read, passed, and adopted by the Collbran Board of Trustees at the Regular Meeting held this 20th day of March 2020.

TOWN OF COLLBRAN, COLORADO

By

Mayor



ATTEST:

Town Clerk

