

City of Tonasket COVID-19 Information

March 27, 2020

Please follow all Federal and State restrictions regarding COVID 19. Please reference <https://coronavirus.wa.gov/> for updated information.

A state of emergency within the City of Tonasket has been declared as a result of the COVID-19 virus and shall remain in effect until such time as the Mayor in conjunction with Public Health Officials determines the virus no longer presents an immediate threat to the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City.

The Tonasket City Council voted unanimously on March 24, 2020 to pass a Declaration of Public Health Emergency in response to the COVID-19 epidemic in our community. The resolution gives the City more flexibility to address the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic on the City of Tonasket. See how the emergency is impacting City services below:

Public Health Information

For the latest information, recommendations, and answers to specific questions about COVID-19, please visit the Okanogan County Public Health, Okanogan County Sheriff Department, Okanogan Emergency Management and/or North Valley Hospital.

City Buildings and Facilities

All City of Tonasket buildings will be closed to the public until further notice. Essential City services (such as utilities, fire and law enforcement) will continue to be provided.

City Council

City Council may hold regularly scheduled meetings. If meetings are to be canceled, the information will be on our website and given to the local media. During the coronavirus emergency, meetings will be held virtually or by phone. Members of the public can call in using a provided number and access code which will be listed on the meeting agenda. Public comment period at the meeting will be determined at the time of the meeting.

City Utilities

Due to the state of emergency being declared in the City of Tonasket, Resolution 2020-05, beginning on March 24, 2020, the water/sewer late fees, interest, shut offs and turn on/off fees will be suspended through April 28 and will be assessed monthly after that. Water/Sewer Payments are still due by the 18th of each month.

Okanogan County Sheriff

The Sheriff's Department will continue their contracted services for the City of Tonasket. For emergencies please call 911 and for non emergent questions please call 509-422-7232.

Parks & Recreation

The City of Tonasket closed active recreation areas in parks, including sports courts, playgrounds, picnic shelters, and other areas where essential social distancing guidelines are difficult to achieve.

Online Services

The public is reminded that most common City tasks can be done online. Please visit our City website at www.tonasketcity.org.

**By working together we can all get through this health crisis.
Please reach out to the proper authorities if you have questions.**