Crow Wing County Services Continue Electronically during Minnesota Governor’s Extended Stay at Home Order

Crow Wing County will continue serving residents online and by phone during the extended stay at home executive order by Governor Tim Walz. Plans are to re-open county buildings to the public starting Monday, May 18th unless there are drastic changes to our community related to COVID-19. Earlier today, the Governor extended the state-wide stay at home order for 2 more weeks until May 18th. Crow Wing County staff are following recommendations by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) to help reduce the transmission of COVID-19 to protect residents, families and employees.

Based on extended guidance from the Governor about limiting unnecessary person-to-person contact, Crow Wing County has extended the date on how it continues to deliver services to the public in non-traditional ways and will not be allowing public entry to county buildings until May 18, 2020. Crow Wing County remains open and dedicated to serving the public and is providing services through telephone, e-mail, and online services. Services are still being conducted in all departments across the county. Documents are still being recorded, permits and tax payments are still being processed. Our probation agents are still connecting with clients and people are still being prosecuted in court. Our jail staff continue to manage inmates, law enforcement are still patrolling our roads and providing public safety. County staff are helping residents with child support, financial assistance and elder care, and looking out for individuals and families.

“We are continuing to provide vital county services to those who need them while practicing safe social distancing guidelines for the health of all residents and our employees. We continue to be open for business, just not in the traditional way. We are still here working to serve our residents. We are working behind the scenes making necessary adjustments in each building to allow for social distancing, less face to face close contact and to put procedures in place to be ready to reopen our doors. We have seen many residents utilize online help and we will continue to encourage services electronically long after our doors are open. We are maximizing this time to also work with local businesses about ways to share state and federal guidelines to safely open their doors, restart our economy and continue to keep the health and safety of our residents a top priority.” said County Administrator Tim Houle.

For services the public should log onto our website at www.crowwing.us or call 218-824-1067 to be directed to the correct department. You can also always contact your County Commissioners to assist in navigating county government as well and their contact information is:

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