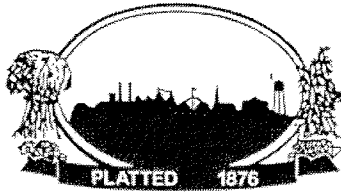


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TOWN EXECUTIVE'S DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the undersigned is the duly elected Town Council President of the Town of Lapel, Indiana; and,

WHEREAS, Indiana Code §10-14-3-29(a)(1) permits the Town Council President to declare a local emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council has a duty to ensure efficient government of the Town; and,

WHEREAS, with the COVID-19 coronavirus ("Coronavirus") spreading to Indiana, and based on information provided to my office by Federal, State, and County health officials, the potential rapid spread of the Coronavirus can be mitigated by limiting public interaction; and,

WHEREAS, to reduce the risk of exposure to Town employees and the public, it is necessary to temporarily limit public access to the Lapel Town Hall at 825 N. Main Street.

WHEREAS, that in order to further insure efficient operation of Town of Lapel, it is necessary to authorize the electronic or telephonic approval of payment of claims by various town boards and commissions as public meetings may be cancelled as a result of this resolution.

IT IS THUS DECLARED THAT A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THE TOWN OF LAPEL.

As a result of this local emergency, public access to the Lapel Town Hall shall be restricted to Town employees and other personnel deemed essential by the undersigned, or Town Treasurer.

With the exception of public access to the Lapel Town Hall, all Town Departments, including First Responders, are to continue to operate as normal during the pendency of this Emergency. Citizens making utility payments are instructed to utilize the drop box attached to the Town Hall or make an online payment.

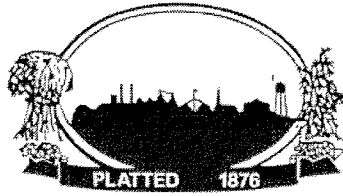
The Lapel Town Marshall and Lapel Police Department are hereby authorized to take lawful action necessary to effectuate the terms and intent of this Declaration, to reduce the risk of further spread of the Coronavirus which would reduce the efficiency of Lapel Town Government.

In order to insure the continued efficient operation of Town government, the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to process the payment of all claims which have been electronically or telephonically approved by a majority of any Town board or commission with the authority to pay claims.

This Order shall expire in seven (7) days.

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SO DECLARED THIS 19 DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

Chad Blake, Town Council President

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