

REOPENING PURCELL

April 29, 2020

Our Emergency Declaration expires tomorrow, Thursday, April 30. Purcell has seen a small outbreak of the Coronavirus this week. Before this week, we have been very fortunate and blessed. The State Health Department had been reporting 3 active cases for Purcell. Tuesday, April 28, saw 4 new cases reported. Wednesday, April 29, reported no additional new cases with one recovery, the state shows us with 6 active cases. With this in mind, we need to be vigilant as a community.

If you feel sick or have a fever, please stay home. If you are a member of the vulnerable community, please stay home. We will be following the State of Oklahoma's guidelines when it comes to reopening. Restaurants and places of worship may reopen May 1 as long as they maintain social distancing guidelines and other protocols outlined by the State Health Department.

It is important to remember the rules are not in place to protect the individual, they are in place to protect the community. So, if you are not concerned about catching the virus, please realize there are people with whom you come in contact, which may be vulnerable or caring for someone who is vulnerable. They may be the sole source of income for their family and becoming infected maybe a huge financial impact just as we are trying to get back to work.

Please maintain social distancing. If you are going to be around other people who are vulnerable or are just scared, please wear a mask. This is the time to be a Proud Oklahoman, by thinking of others before themselves.

God bless us as we reopen.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ted Cox', written in a cursive style.

Ted Cox
Mayor