

March 20, 2020

Citizens of Haskell County,

I would like to explain the reasons for closing the courthouse to the public. Everything that you read and hear about combating COVID-19 is to have people keep a distance from each other. This is a very hard thing to do because we are a social society. We want to talk with each other & shake hands; we want to pat each other on the back, go to sporting events, eat out, and worship with one another. However, this is not the time to participate in these things. The time period of social distancing is for a few weeks, possibly a month. Closing the courthouse will help us obey the guidelines that the CDC tells us must be followed. The state is relaxing deadlines for renewal of driver's license, car tags, etc. I'm not saying it will be easy but it's definitely achievable. We can do this! Thank you for being understanding and remember that each individual office is reachable through the phone numbers or our e-mails on our website. I suggest that you use this time in fun and creative ways and don't be fixated in watching the latest news. I pray good health to you. God bless you and God bless Haskell County.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kenny Thompson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kenny" and last name "Thompson" clearly distinguishable.

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