

BOCC MEETING PUBLIC COMMENTS

10/20/2020

These are questions and comments received through the County website and through the Strategic Communications email.

Name:

Nicholas and Courtney Franssen

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Received By:

This comment was received through the communications email

Subject:

Lift the mask mandates

Comment:

“Please make the right decision and lift the mask mandates. It is not the government's job to control the mass population. The mask mandates and the lockdowns are a violation of everything that makes America great. Stop the tyranny and let people be free to live again. Living under your oppressive thumb is not life!”

Name:

Amber Sheppard

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Received By:

This comment was received through the online website.

Subject:

Masks!

Comment:

“Stop muzzling our youth! Search the data YOURSELVES! Covid has a 99%+ survival rate and ZERO DEATHS for kids 0-18. Research. Lead by example as all small communities are just following your suit. Our hospitals are NOT overrun and a positive case is NOT a death sentence. Stop running scared from a positive case. The gov orders hold no water! We are not in a state of emergency! Research what constitutes a STATE OF EMERGENCY! Stop now before the lawsuits come commissioners! Following health dept guidelines does not exempt you from lawsuit!”

Name:

Margaret Lendall

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Received By:

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Subject:

Health Mandate

Comment:

“Masks do not work. This is not an Opinion, it is fact. OSHA recommends no mask for prevention of the spread of influenza of any kind. OSHA recommends against prolonged mask wearing in any but a toxic environment. There have been many studies done in hospital settings that Prove masks Do Not Prevent viral spread. You are going against proven science by extending this mask mandate. Group think is not science. OSHA, the CDC, the WHO, and many other health organizations around the world are throwing off their gags and speaking out against lockdowns and mask mandates. They don't work. They are harming our peoples. Take heed of Whitmer and Whipple. You are driving people insane. Actions have consequences.”

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Received By:

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Subject:

Face masks

Comment:

“I am writing to let you know i want the face mask mandates to stop. It should be a choice. The majority of sedgewick county residents do not want face masks. This is proven by all of the non-mask people writing to you. And coming to the meetings. Science and doctors are being ignored by you that say masks do not work. The white house advisory doctor himself said mask do not work. The virus is so small that masks do not stop it. Washing of hands works. Our immune system works. The virus has a 99.9 percent survival rate, and you know this. Protect the older and vulnerable. Let the rest of us live our lives. Face masks cause illness and harm being worn all the time, you know this too. Stop the unfounded fear and panic. Let us decide. Our body our choice.”

Name:

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Received By:

This comment was received through the communications email

Subject:

Commission Meeting 10-21-20

Comment:

"I request the Commission strongly consider ending the Covid-19 restrictions imposed on the public. It is time to return to the people their fortunes, lives, and their sacred honor. The latest order modifying and extending current restrictions by Dr. Minns is not appropriate.

I have been on an extended trip over multiple states and returned to find some actions that deserve consideration on the policies of Covid-19. Your familiar with Dr. Minns order and previous information I have submitted so I will omit some details.

Dr, Minns has some quotes during an interview with the Wichita Eagle Reporter about the modifications to and extension of his current health order. Dr. Minns said he " doesn't have strong evidence" the bar and nightclubs are responsible for covid-19 case increases: but they are singled out for special restrictions. I have had friends close business and lose money due to Covid-19 restrictions. There needs to be evidence to disrupt lives.

Statistics are interesting and have to be interpreted. Dr. Minns also said; "Locally, our case numbers have started increasing but testing has not increased," Prior to August 24 Sedgwick County was testing the general population, after that date we targeted symptomatic and susceptible population. An 8.9 % of positive cases represents two totally different populations and degree of severity for the same percentage. Making decisions now for a smaller and more vulnerable population that we did for the general population is not reasonable.

KWCH channel 12 likes to track the Sedgwick County Dashboard and KDHE statistics. KDHE on October 9 informed KWCH 40 deaths on a day, fortunately the statistic preparer told them it was comprised of "reconciliation deaths" (cause of death changed to Covid-19) . A report after that showed 7 deaths in one day without any clarification and KWCH said they had sent a letter asking if these were new or reconciled deaths. Another report after that showed a day of 0 deaths. You have to wonder did no one die or did the clerk run out of ink! The clerk was changing the cause of death according to required CDC guidelines

A report on August 26, 2020 by the CDC revealed Covid-19 was the only cause of death in 6% of 180,000 plus Covid-19 related deaths. It is worth noting in March of 2020 the CDC redefined what was a Covid-19 death as anything probable that could be classified as a Covid-19 death.

KWCH likes to use the Sedgwick County Dashboard for reporting Covid-19. Testing is not representative of the number of people with some exception to positive cases, hospitalizations, and deaths. I have already showed we shifted testing emphasis on 8-24-2020. One aspect of that is more testing can be done on the

susceptible population, especially those who are exposed to disease. I personally have had two negative tests. The tests are what is counted not the people. This includes those who are infected and are tested more than once. I agree Covid-19 is real, that it is a flu virus, and can be transmitted like any other virus. The statistics are being manipulated and interpreted incorrectly.

The damage being caused by Covid-19 policies are too great to continue. The evidence is the virus will be with us indefinitely as part of the influenza season. Covid-19 should be treated as the swine flu pandemic of 2009 and other previous pandemics and flu season.

I ask again: return to the people their fortunes, lives, and sacred honor by ending the Covid-19 restrictions.

Sincerely,

James W Kilpatrick Jr.”