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Pine County COVID-19 Update

The following is provided as an update on Pine County's COVID-19 Response.

Pine County has implemented policies and practices to conform to recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Minnesota Department of Health (MDH).

- 1. County Government offices are open regular business hours. To the extent possible, everyone is encouraged to conduct business via telephone or online rather than in person. In person visits should only be used in cases that are absolutely necessary.
- 2. Most county public meetings and events are cancelled. Please check the county website (www.co.pine.mn.us) or call 320-591-1400 if you are uncertain about a meeting or a county event.
- 3. As of today, the county board meeting scheduled for Tuesday March 17 is still planned. However, this is a developing situation and a final decision will not be made until later.
- 4. The county has implemented a telework policy and flexible work schedule for employees to work remotely if possible.
- 5. As of today, there are no confirmed cases of COVID -19 in Pine County. It is important for everyone to take the necessary steps to slow the Spread of COVID-19 in Minnesota and follow CDC and MDH recommendations to limit personal contact and travel. For more information go to https://www.health.state.mn.us/
- 6. For information related to Pine County District Court, contact the district court directly <u>http://www.mncourts.gov/Find-Courts/Pine.aspx</u>