

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF OSAGE COUNTY, KANSAS

RESOLUTION

No.18-07

**A RESOLUTION EXTENDING OPEN FIRE BURNING PERMITS REQUIRED
AND ISSUED PURSUANT TO OSAGE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 14-13**

The Board of County Commissioners of Osage County, Kansas, met at its office in the Osage County Courthouse on the 14th day of May, 2018, with the following present: Gaylord Anderson, Fred Diver, Kenneth Kuykendall, the County Commissioners; Patrick G. Walsh, the County Counselor; and Rhonda Beets, the County Clerk, for the purpose of transacting any business that might come before the Board.

Upon motion of Commissioner Gaylord Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fred Diver, and by unanimous vote, the Board makes the following order:

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners of Osage County adopted Resolution No. 14-13 that limited open burning within Osage County, Kansas and prohibited open burning without a permit.

WHEREAS, paragraph two of Section Three of said Resolution provided that written open fire burning permits are required and issued free of charge and that said permits are valid for a period of four years from date of issue.

WHEREAS, for purposes of uniformity and enforcement, the Board of County

Commissioners believes that it is in the best interests of the County that all open burning permits issued pursuant to Resolution No. 14-13 expires on a date certain instead of four years from the date of issue.

WHEREAS, for the safety of the public, Osage County Emergency Management should be authorized to issue a burn ban when local Fire Districts and/or fire resources are overwhelmed by a large fire and/or multiple fire incidents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that paragraph two of Section Three of Resolution No. 14-13 shall be amended to read as follows:

Written open fire burning permits are required and issued free of charge. Permits issued pursuant to this Resolution are valid through December 31, 2022. They can be obtained from the Osage County Sheriff's Office, Osage County Clerk, Osage County Emergency Management, Osage County Fire Districts or other approved designees.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that Section Four of Resolution 14-13 shall be amended to read as follows:

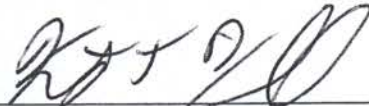
The Osage County Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to ban open burning by further resolution and a burn ban would suspend the burn permits until the burn ban is lifted. Further, Osage County Emergency Management is authorized to issue burn bans on a day to day basis when it is determined through the use of the National Weather Service Rangeland Fire Danger Index, the weather conditions for the day, the ground moisture condition, the vegetation condition, wind conditions or when local Fire Districts and/or fire resources are overwhelmed by a large fire and/or multiple fire incidents that burning should be prohibited. Osage County Emergency Management shall

notify the Osage County Sheriff Dispatch Center of the no burn order, will broadcast such information on the County Wide Fire Radio Frequency and up-date burn information on the Osage County website.

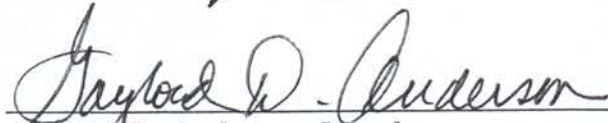
That all other provisions of Osage County Resolution No. 14-13 shall remain in full force and affect.

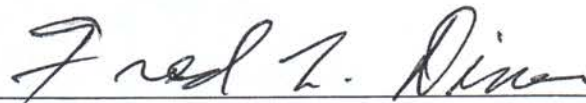
ADOPTED this 14th day of May, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



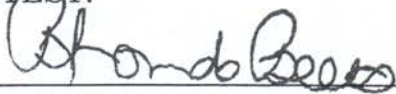
Kenneth J. Kuykendall, Chairman



Gaylord D. Anderson, Member

Fred L. Diver, Member

ATTEST:



Rhonda Beets
Osage County Clerk