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## Mask mandate coming

**BOARD OF HEALTH:** Preparations under way to create temporary regulation on masks

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – The Lee County Board of Health voted Thursday morning to create a regulation requiring masks be worn in public by all county residents.

The move was approved unanimously after a lengthy discussion among board members, and Lee County Attorney Ross Braden at the board's regular meeting.

Braden told he board he wasn't advocating for any position on the masks, but was there to help answer legal questions regarding a mandate.

Lee County Health Department Administrator Mi-



WEBER

chele Ross said she recommended issuing a position statement that all county residents be "requested" to wear masks while out in public. LCHD issued a similar position statement advising against any large scale events back in August.

"My opinion is that if we start with a position statement and release it from the Board of Health, then we don't have to do the (legal requirements)," Ross said.

But board member Dr. Philip Caropreso said a request

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### COUNCIL MEETINGS



## Fall just won't smell as good this year

This was supposed to be the first weekend of college football.

But, during this time of a pandemic, we're growing accustomed to the supposed-tos of life.

This is the first time in my sports writing career, dating back to 1988, that I haven't been covering a college football game on this opening weekend.

I would have been at Iowa's home opener on Saturday. Originally, it was going to be a game against Northern Iowa. Then, when the Big Ten switched to a conference-only schedule for this season, it was going to be Maryland.

Then, on August 11, six days after releasing the schedule, the conference's presidents and chancellors wiped away the entire schedule like they had a giant eraser.

Sorry, everyone, no football. See you in the spring. Or maybe the winter. Or maybe the weekend of Thanksgiving. Or, who knows, really?

The Big Ten's decision to push its football season, and all of its sports, back to try again later because of medical concerns related to COVID-19 may have been right. But it was poorly handled, lacking the transparency required to throw water on any controversy.

The decision-makers say don't play. So many others, it seems, want to play.

Parents are angry. Players are angry. Coaches and athletic directors are angry.

Which is why every day feels like a political campaign, with "sources" from both sides putting out information to strengthen their stance, and alternately stoking and then dashing hopes.

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### BUSINESS

## Local partners have Clear View of vision needs

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Dr. Derek Vogelpohl isn't blind to irony.

As an undergraduate at the University of Illinois he got an eye infection and 10 years later he's partnered up in his own vision center, practicing optometry.

Vogelpohl and West Point native Tony Menke have had the doors open on the Clear View Vision Center. at 1001 Avenue H, in the northern suite for about a month now.

The smell of fresh wood and paint, and a welcoming and sanitized staff await patients in the rehabilitated



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

Dr. Derek Vogelpohl, center, and Tony Menke, left seated, are now accepting patients at Clear View Vision Center at 1001 Avenue H.

Bentler Rental's building.

Dustin Ilmberger bought and basically rebuilt the building for retail space over the past several years. He had plans to make the northern suite

two spaces, but Menke said when he first got in to see the new space, he did some measurements and told Ilmberger-

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### FMAAA

## Former Keokuk art teacher has Sept. art exhibit

BY BRIAN RIGGS

Fort Madison Area Arts Association Director

Don Hetzel of Coralville is well-known to FMAAA as he taught art at Keokuk High School for nearly four decades.

In 2012 he retired and relocated

closer to his children. His return to Lee County brings an assortment of abstract paintings as well as realistic landscapes.

A reception for the show occurs September 4th from 5-7pm. Two Rivers Insurance is the sponsor for

the exhibition.

Don considers himself an expressionist artist. You have to learn "how to see" than express what you see on the canvas. His "marks" cause him to react to the canvas.

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## Lee County News/From the Front

# LCHD urges caution during extended weekend activities

LEE COUNTY - The Lee County Health Department, Fort Madison Community Hospital, and UnityPoint Health-Keokuk want to remind Lee County residents to continue to practice proper social distancing mitigation this Labor Day weekend. According to the most recent COVID-19 Task Force Report for Iowa, Lee County is considered a Red Zone. This means that community transmissions continue to be high, and community spread, especially in gatherings of more than 10 people, are at higher risk. Health officials strongly encourage residents to continue to follow public health recommendations which include:

- Maintaining at least a six-foot physical distance apart from others when outside your own household;
- Wearing a face mask/covering when out in public including at grocery stores, pharmacies, hardware stores and retail stores or when outside and unable to maintain six feet of separation from other people;

<b>LEE CHD</b> LCHD is reporting <b>10</b> additional cases added to the total case count in the last 24 hours.	
Total Positive Cases (as of 3:30pm 9.3.2020)	456
Total Cases Reported as Recovered	106
Current 14-day average Positivity Rate (number of people tested/number tested positive in last 14 days)	16%
LCHD continues to encourage the public to practice social distancing, wash your hands, avoid large crowds where social distancing is not possible, and to #MaskUpLeeCounty.	

cery stores, pharmacies, hardware stores and retail stores or when outside and unable to maintain six feet of separation from other people;

- Staying home when ill or have symptoms of COVID-19 or if you have had a known exposure to someone with the virus according to isolation and quarantine guidance;
- Covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your elbow/upper arm;
- Washing hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Disinfecting common touch surfaces;
- Protect anyone with

serious medical conditions at home by social distancing at home and using high levels of personal hygiene, including handwashing and cleaning surfaces;

- Reduce your public interactions and activities to 25% of your normal activity, and
- Calling your medical provider first if you need medical care and notify them of your symptoms.

Lee County can reduce community spread of COVID-19 if we work together and take personal responsibility for protecting the health of all of our residents and visitors.

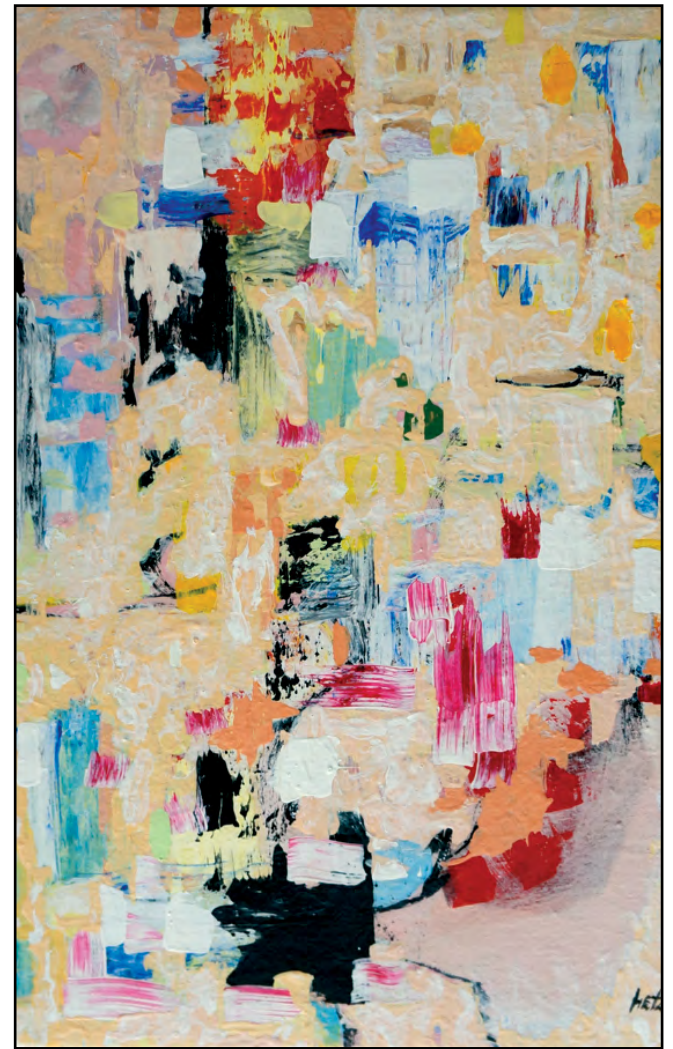
# Hetzel finds inspiration in abstracts, landscapes

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Surface Tremors represent the strike that is made on a canvas and how it flexes and moves like ripples on the water. Don finds inspiration in abstracts, landscapes, and human figures. For his abstract work he prefers to pour the paint, not drip like the method employed by Pollack. He paints mainly in acrylic but will use oil and tempura from time to time

Don uses very little black in his paintings. Too much black can make a painting look dirty or smoky. So he will use blue to bring down a bright color like orange. He prefers to stand when painting, usually lasting for a two-hour session.

Don earned his Education degree and BFA in printmaking from University of South Dakota. He later



received his MBA in lithography from Western Illinois.

He is a consummate artist that is a must see during FMAAA hours of operation Tues-Thur-Fri-Sat from 12-

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Breaking news will continue to be published to our website [www.PenCityCurrent.com](http://www.PenCityCurrent.com) and through our social media channels as it happens.

The e-Edition will resume publication on Wednesday, September 9.

Please celebrate safely.

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## Scene Around Town/Health News



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### Denning memorial

A new memorial now stands on the grounds of the HTC High School. Complete with a sitting area and a mosaic tile bench, the memorial is in honor and in memory of Abby Denning, who lost her precious life, just a few weeks after she had completed her 7th grade year at HTC. The loss of an amazing friend, classmate, and teammate was felt by the entire HTC family. Abby's fun, friendly personality was highlighted in her bigger-than-life laughter, fondly remembered by all who knew and loved her. Abby's Class of 2023 classmates raised money for her memorial to create a special place in her honor where friends can sit, hang out, and remember her life; recalling how special she was in their lives and always will be.

### Health clinics set for those with COVID symptoms

WEST BURLINGTON – Great River Health and Henry County Health Center offer clinics in four cities for people who have respiratory symptoms that may indicate COVID-19. Because these services are provided in locations where other patients may be present, appointments are required. Most patients should call the clinic before

entering. Instructions will be provided when making an appointment. Monday through Friday services Burlington - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Great River Quick-Care 624 S. Roosevelt Ave. 319-768-1009, option 3 Fort Madison - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Fort Madison Community Hospital, Suite

120 5445 Avenue O 319-376-2134 Keokuk - 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Great River Health-Keokuk - 3285 Main St. 319-524-6274 Mount Pleasant - 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. at Physicians & Clinics of HCHC Acute Care Services 407 S. White St. 319-385-6540

Weekend services Fort Madison - 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Fort Madison Community Hospital - Main Clinic 5445 Avenue O 319-376-2134

## For now, Saturday parties silenced

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It's gotten to the point of numbness among fans who still hold out hope that a magic re-vote from the Big Ten leadership will change everything, and maybe we're watching football in October.

Someone asked me what I will miss the most, and my answer is simple.

The smell.

College football Saturdays have a certain smell, whether it's a hot September day or a cold November late afternoon, whether it's an 11 a.m. kickoff or a 7 p.m. start.

Tailgating starts as early as possible, and no matter the weather when I'm driving to the stadium I get the urge to put down the car windows and smell brats, hot dogs, hamburgers, steaks, or whatever culinary concoction is being grilled.

The smell leads to a buzz. There might be 69,000 inside Kinnick Stadium, but add a few thousand more, especially on a big-game weekend, outside.

It's a seven-times-a-year party that can be profitable for a university and its community.

The party will be silent this weekend. And even if there's football in the winter/spring, it may still be silent because of what we don't know about this virus.

The decision by the Big Ten, and the other conferences that are sitting out this fall, will be judged by what happens to those who play. Hindsight is always perfect, and that will determine the right, or the wrong, of those who have voted.

There's no party this weekend. No smell.

And I'm going to miss that.

*John Bohnenkamp is an award-winning sports writer and regular contributor to the Pen City Current.*

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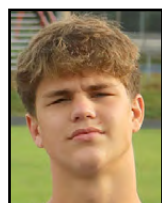
# Sports

## Hounds looking into Big Red mirror Friday

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The Bloodhounds will be looking in a mirror of sorts on Friday night when the square up against the Big Red on the road at Centerville.

Fort Madison will be taking their 1-0 mark on the road to face a Centerville squad, that lost to Davis County 28-19 last week despite holding the Mustangs scoreless in the second half.



SETTLES

The Hounds are coming off a 23-8 win over West Burlington/Notre Dame in the season opener with junior wideout Tate Johnson hauling in a couple touchdowns, and senior QB Will Larson throwing for a score and running for another.

“We feel like their pretty much identical to us. They use a 3-front on defense and our spread offense concepts are the same,” Doherty said.

“(Head Coach Matt Kovacevich) is spreading the ball out, and we can spread the ball out. To us, it will be an intriguing matchup because we kind of feel like we’re facing our twin in a way, and let’s see who can get it done at a better rate Friday.”

**WHO TO WATCH**  
BLOODHOUNDS

- #8 QB – Will Larson (Sr.) – 228 yards 1TD, 1 Rushing TD
- #22 RB – Jakob McGowan (Jr.) – 38 yards offense
- #13 WR – Tate Johnson (Jr.) – 112 yards 2TD
- #5 WR – Brock Califf (Sr.) – 89 yards total offense
- #3 DE – Tanner Settles (So.) – 8 tackles, 4 solo
- #77 OL/DL – Ethan Deacon (Sr.) – 2 tackles, 2 fumble recoveries
- #54 LB – Austin Ensminger (Jr.) – 5 tackles

CENTERVILLE

- #15 QB Sawyer Wardlow (Sr.) – 184 yards 3TD
- #1 WR Kellen Johnson (Sr.) – 90 rec. yards, 1TD
- \$29 RB – Bradley Watts (Jr.) – 47 yards
- #5 WR -Kade Mosley (Jr.) – 16.5 yards/rec.
- #65 DL – Lucas Henderson (Sr.) 10.5 tackles, 9 solo.

The Big Red feature junior quarterback Sawyer Wardlow, who threw for 3 TDs last week to three different receivers. Senior Kellen Johnson hauled in one of Wardlow’s TD passes and averaged 22 yards per catch and 16 yards per return on special teams.

Doherty said he’s the type of player that can blow a game up and Fort Madison’s gonna have to map him out.

“He’s very explosive and obviously he’s a worry and a guy that can getcha. We’ll have to be very disciplined on him,” Doherty said.

Reviewing film this week, Doherty said the Hounds left a lot of points off the board and some corrections need to be made.

“We see a lot of small mistakes were making. If we can correct those things we’re going to be more explosive offensively, and more

solid defensively and we’ve worked all week on those things.”

Fans Friday night were checking their programs to see who No. 3 was on the Hounds defense wrangling Falcons to the ground. Sophomore Tanner Settles rolled up WB/ND with eight tackles, four solo and one for a loss. Junior Gavin Wiseman also had a quiet big night with 4.5 tackles one for a loss in the win.

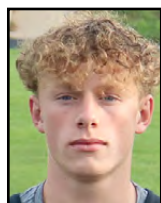
Doherty said defensive coach Jason Crooks has had the Hounds ready week in and week out for the past couple of years. He said the philosophy is that offenses are built to be successful so it comes down to limiting the big plays.

“We need to limit the number of explosive plays and for the most part we have, but I think we had it in cruise control at the end



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Senior Brock Califf (#5) probably ran for more than 200 yards last week, but was only credited for 89 from scrimmage as he ran up and down and around the Falcon defense looking for yardage. Califf will be one of the Hounds looked to on Friday on the road at Centerville.



CALIFF

last week,” Doherty said.

“Defensive coaches are a different breed and selfish, and I say that with a smile on my face – they wanted the shut out and I think the kids now have some sincerity about not taking a play off.”

Senior Ethan Deacon had a couple of defensive fumble recoveries to give the Hounds some decent field position to work with Friday.

The Hounds moved the ball around to different players on Friday and kept the Falcons defense on their heels. But he said there are many arrows in the Bloodhound quiver.

“I said it to the guys this week. Tate had a big night TD wise, Brock had some huge catches and nice runs and we’ve got a couple other guys who are fully capable of the same thing. It will be just who’s night it is,” the second year head coach said.

Junior running back Jacob McGowan was couple steps or block away from a big night himself. Doherty

said after watching film, he saw several plays where a block extended for another second, or McGowan stepping differently would have resulted in big plays.

“When we watched film, Jakob was just a block away from breaking some huge runs. That was motivation to our kids to block for second longer and motivation for McGowan to lower a shoulder and get through a tackle.”

The Hounds had a little trouble with cramping last week, which forced junior

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**From the Front**

# Partners bring local flare to city vision center

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er they'd need the whole thing.

Vogelpohl grew up southeast of Quincy in Pittsfield, a town of about 4,000. He said he pursued the traditional higher education path and did undergrad work at University of Illinois, before moving to the Illinois College of Optometry where he graduated in 2013.

"I had this killer eye infection when I started undergrad, which is really kind of comical when you consider how bad I was as a patient for my eye doctor," he said with a laugh, that seems to go with a palpable, easy, chair-side manner.

"I slept in my contacts, I didn't have back up glasses, had this raging eye infection, went to undergrad very near-sighted and couldn't see squat. Week one on this big campus and I couldn't see anything. ... Then I end up becoming an eye doctor."

Vogelpohl started a conversation with his local optometrist who got him in the business, and actually employed him for about a year.

Eventually Vogelpohl ended up in Burlington at a practice there and has been serving southeast Iowa patients for the past six years, where he connected with Tony.

"My wife and I have fallen in love with southeast Iowa. We're putting some roots down - and here we are."

Vogelpohl said if you had talked to him even two years ago he would have had no interest in doing something independently. But he said as you mature you see things you may want to do different but don't have control over.

He said he was ready for a change and developed a desire to be a business owner and more effectively serve his patients.

Menke is a partner with Vogelpohl and handles the business side of the work so Vogelpohl can focus on patient care. Menke said it was important for them to find a local place serving area patients with local ownership.

"We didn't find anything that really fit outside. I just happened to stop by and looked inside and thought this had potential," Menke said.

So he tracked down Ilmberger and got a look at the inside and it snowballed from there.

"Literally from the time I met with him, we made the decision and told him, 'Yeah, this is going to work for us.'"

Menke and Vogelpohl liked the idea of having space downtown with easy access, and Ilmberger's location also provided additional parking and spaces close to the front of the building for patients.

The two took a lease with the location in June and opened the doors on Aug. 3.

"He's got an unbelievable following. We're locally owned. I live in Fort Madison, and he lives in Burlington and is down here every day. And our staff is local," Menke said.

"I have the building know-how, the insurance and financial side of the things. I have exposure to all of that. But he's the doctor. That's his expertise. I handle the business side and that's why this works so well."

The two currently have four staff members in the office, all from Lee and Des Moines counties, including two opticians, a technician and a patient services coordinator.

"They're all just great. They're top-notch at what they do, and they're familiar faces in their communities," Vogelpohl said.

"Our motivation behind doing this is a focus here, build a practice here, provide the best care for our patients - and then see what happens."

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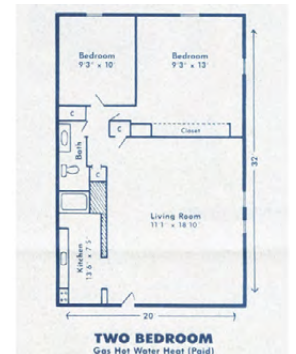
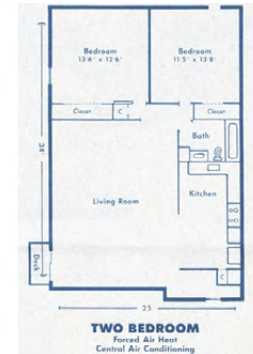
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## Sports/From the Front

# Bloodhounds need to stop big plays

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quarterback Landes Williams in for Larson. Larson was having a gem of game, but Williams held his own throwing for a touchdown in a backup role.

Doherty said Larson has settled in and understands the offense a bit differently this year.

"He's starting to settle in. He came along away in understanding the offense. His football IQ is really good and he's gotten better. He's understanding the offense the way we want him to and to his credit some of the big plays were checks he made without us telling him," Doherty said.

To get those explosive plays the Hounds are going to have to bottle up Lucas Henderson, a 5'11, 185 lb senior who recorded 10.5 tackles, nine solo against Davis County.

Doherty said the Big Reds are bouncing guys to Henderson and they are structurally sound up front.

"We need to know who were blocking, and work our doubles and things like that. They've got a good defensive front and great linebacking crew."

The Hounds offensive and defensive lines punched above their weight class last week controlling the line for most of the four quarters against a much larger Falcon front.

"We may not be tipping the scales on average across our line, but as a force production number we can compare with a lot of people."

If the Hounds are facing their twin, the advantage may come down to special teams play. Fort Madison got a 27-yard field goal and a couple extra points from Xander Wellman, and held West Burlington to just 69 yards in returns on the night.

"Special teams is something we take very seriously here. It's 1/3 of the game and when I was hired as head coach one of the top things for me was spending more time with special teams," he said.

"Unfortunately, we wasted a time out on an extra point and we're going to correct that. You have to be ready for the next play and we weren't and that was frustrating."

Kick off is at 7:30 in Centerville. The game can be caught live streamed at Bloodhound Sports and Activities at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qp\\_UMiy9J-Q&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qp_UMiy9J-Q&feature=youtu.be)

# Board of Health wants cities to support proposed mask regulation

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would not get the desired result.

"The word request is inadequate to get the desired results. People would look at the word 'request' and say, 'Oh that's fine' and ignore it," Caropreso said.

Caropreso said medical science shows through analysis that masks play a significant role in reducing the serious nature of the virus.

"They cannot totally prevent the disease, but they reduce the consequences of being infected," he said.

Board member Paula Speikermeier asked how the regulation, if approved, would be enforced.

Braden referenced language in a regulation currently in place in Johnson County that says enforcement would have to be made by county law enforcement officers, which would put the burden on the Lee County Sheriff's Department.

Ross said she had spoke with Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber on Wednesday and Weber wasn't supportive of the enforcement. Lee County Supervisor Matt Pflug, told the board Weber is saying he doesn't have the manpower to dedicate to the enforcement.

"I think you're going to see him have a position on this," Pflug said.

When contacted Thursday morning following the vote, Weber said that his department will not enforce the regulation.

"I can speak for all law enforcement in Lee County and we will not be enforcing a mask regulation," Weber said. "We'll be leading by example and we'll be wearing our masks, but it's still America and people have a choice."

Caropreso also said he respected what the sheriff had to do, but said figuring out a way needs to be the position of officials, not the other way around.

"We're endangering our population and we're not getting the support we need," he said.

Pflug suggested the board might consider holding a round table with municipalities in the county to

try and garner support for the regulation.

Fort Madison Mayor Matt Mohrfeld left his son's graduation in August because he wouldn't don a face mask as requested by school officials.

The regulation is being drawn up by Ross with the assistance of Braden, and the Board of Health is required by Iowa code to hold public hearings on the enforceable regulation, publish the regulation, and have it approved by a resolution of the Lee County Board of Supervisors.

Braden said if supervisors don't approve the resolution, it would not become a regulation.

Pflug told the board, he didn't foresee supervisors voting down the regulation. Supervisor Gary Folluo said Tuesday at a workshop that he asked Ross and Braden to look into the legalities of issuing a mandate for mask coverings. Supervisor Rick Larkin said the county needed to move quickly to set up a mask mandate. Along with Pflug's support that would set up a majority of the supervisors in favor of the regulation.

Supervisor Chairman Ron Fedler hedged on the idea of a mandate saying regulations are only as good as they are enforceable.

Pflug said even with people who won't wear a mask, the regulation could catch many others that aren't now, but would if mandated.

"It's not like this thing is going on forever and ever. You're not cutting their hands off, and you are gonna have the ones who aren't going to wear it. But you will catch a lot of folks that will abide by it," he said.

"I think you're doing the right thing."

As of Thursday morning, the counties numbers continued to work back down, with a 14-day positivity rating of 16.7, down from 18% just a week ago. The county has had 450 cases to date with 105 reported as recovered, five deaths and an overall positivity rating of all those tested at 9.3%, or just under 1 in 10 tested confirm positive for the coronavirus.

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## MASK UP



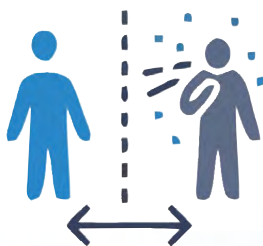
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