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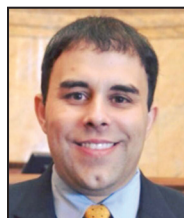
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Legislative Update: Coronavirus update from Miles



By Guest Columnist
Mississippi
Representative
Tom Miles

The Mississippi Legislature recessed until at least April 1. Here's some information that

I learned from daily conference calls in March.

- Senior citizens are the highest risk and priority
- COVID 19 is 3 times more contagious than the flu
- 20-30 year olds are often active carriers without visible symptoms
- **Health Update:**
 - New front of the nose instead of nasopharyngeal test to arrive soon. This should allow more self-application of the test.
 - Curve of cases will continue to

- increase over the next 4 days as the volume of test results is amplified.
- Nursing home visitation should only be by workers, as it appears outbreak at the home in Washington state was from an outside source.
- All elective surgeries are being discouraged at this time.
- Disinformation is all over the place. National quarantine rumor is not true: Washington State quarantine is not true; Washington, D.C. lock down is not true; and please do not spread false information.
- **Agriculture Update:**
 - School closure has



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- created a nutritional problem that local school leaders are addressing.
- USDA is collaborating to deliver 5 day meals to rural areas.
- USDA regulations now allow school lunch program funding to proceed with schools closed.
- We have the strongest food supply chain in the world.
- Process to speed delivery to our local grocery stores and to ensure food is safe has accelerated and getting supplies out fast.
- **Small Business Update:**
 - Procedures for disaster loan eligibility and application have been accelerated.
 - The Governor's office is working on how application can be made to get funds available for loan and they are actively on the case.
- **Dept of Education Update:**

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Auditor findings on drug seizure money

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State Auditor Shad White's office returned \$543,038.04 to the Pelahatchie Police Department in February after the Attorney General's office litigated the case to recover additional damages.

In May, 2018 Special Agents from the

Auditor's office issued demand letters to 10 current and former Pelahatchie officials after they were accused of using restricted law enforcement bank accounts to operate the town.

See page 3 to read the letter from Aldermen in response to the return of funds.



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Pelahatchie's Board of Aldermen with the Mayor. Pictured (l to r) are, Michael Adams, Ward 1; Frank Boyd, Ward 2; Margie Warren, Ward 3; James Harrell, Ward 4; Eddie Jones, Alderman at Large; and Ryshonda Beechem, Mayor.

Clean Up Week set for April

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The Town of Pelahatchie will hold Clean-Up week April 20-24. The Town will pick up anything residents need to get rid of if they leave it by the curb at the appointed time.

Ward One will be picked up on Monday, April 20; Ward Two on Tuesday, April 21; Ward Three on Wednesday, April 22; Ward Four on Thursday, April 23; and all wards on Friday, April 24.

City workers will pick up anything except household trash, dead animals and hazardous materials.

For additional information, call City Hall at 601-854-5224.

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PELAHATCHIE CLEAN UP WEEK

April 20	Ward 1
April 21	Ward 2
April 22	Ward 3
April 23	Ward 4
April 24	Last Day

****Please place items beside the road for our Public Works Department to pick up on your Ward's day****

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