

ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT CONCEALED FIREARMS IN OUNTY BUILDINGS

Adair County, Missouri

WHEREAS, the Missouri General Assembly passed a bill in 2003 that is commonly referred to as the Concealed Carry Endorsements law and that is now set forth in Sections 571.101 to 571.121 of the Missouri statutes;

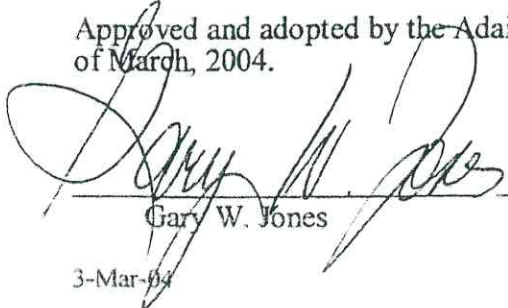
WHEREAS, Section 571.107 prohibits the use of concealed carry endorsements in specific places, including courthouses and polling places, and authorizes counties to prohibit the carrying of concealed firearms by endorsement holders in buildings owned by the respective counties; and


WHEREAS, this Commission wishes to prohibit the presence of concealed firearms in buildings owned and operated by the County to the extent authorized by law, except for firearms carried by duly licensed law enforcement officers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED BY THE ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION AS FOLLOWS:

1. No person who has been issued a concealed carry endorsement under Sections 571.101 to 571.121 of the Missouri statutes, or who has been issued a valid permit or endorsement to carry concealed firearms issued by another state or political subdivision of another state, shall, by authority of that endorsement or permit, be allowed to carry a concealed firearm or to openly carry a firearm in any building or portion of building owned, leased or controlled by Adair County.
2. Signs shall be posted at each entrance of a building entirely owned, leased or controlled by the County stating that carrying of firearms is prohibited. Where the County owns, leases or controls only a portion of a building, signs shall be posted at each entrance to that portion of the building stating that carrying of firearms is prohibited
3. This ordinance shall not apply to buildings used for public housing by private persons; highways or rest areas; firing ranges; or private dwellings owned, leased or controlled by the County, unless used for law enforcement or correctional purposes.
4. Any person violating this ordinance may be denied entrance to the building or ordered to leave the building. Any county employee violating this ordinance may be disciplined. No other penalty shall be imposed for a violation of this ordinance.
5. No person who has been issued a certificate of qualification which allows the person to carry a concealed firearm before the director of revenue begins issuing concealed carry endorsements in July, 2004, shall, by authority of that certificate, be allowed to carry a concealed firearm or to openly carry a firearm in any building or portion of a building owned, leased or controlled by the County.
6. This ordinance shall not apply to state, county, and municipal law enforcement officers possessing the power of arrest for violation of the general criminal laws of the state of Missouri.

Approved and adopted by the Adair County Commission and signed by the commissioners on this 3rd day of March, 2004.


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