

Falls City Council votes down communicable disease ordinance.

(KLZA)--While a majority of the Falls City Council members present during Monday night's meeting voted to adopt an ordinance on second reading authorizing the Southeast District Health Department to exercise control over the health matters covered by the ordinance and to enforce the ordinance within the jurisdiction of Falls City, the issue failed.

Council members voted 3-2 to approve the ordinance on second reading, but to move forward, it required approval of the majority of the eight-member council which required five yes votes.

Council members Lucas Froeschl and Don Ferguson cast nay votes. Council members Derrick Leyden, Mitch Merz and Hayley Ractliffe were absent from the meeting.

The ordinance would have granted the Southeast District Health Department the power to enforce quarantines within the city limits of Falls City and called for the City to provide enforcement of the regulations.

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