# SPECIAL MEETING, March 30, 2020

The Special Session of the Deadwood City Commission convened on Wednesday, March 30, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. in the Deadwood City Commission Chambers, 102 Sherman Street, Deadwood, South Dakota. Mayor David Ruth Jr. called the meeting to order with the following members present: Finance Officer McKeown, Commissioner Gary Todd. City Attorney Quentin L. Riggins, Commissioners Michael Johnson, Sharon Martinisko, and Charlie Struble were available via Zoom. All motions passed unanimously unless otherwise stated.

#### Ordinance

Todd moved, Martinisko seconded to approve second reading of Ordinance #1310 Emergency Ordinance to address a public health crisis by implementing certain measures which have been deemed necessary to slow the community spread of Coronavirus (COVID 19). Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

### Resolution 2020-11

Finance Officer McKeown explained the shut off process. Commissioner Martinisko asked if this issue continues beyond May would city have to approve another Resolution. McKeown replied yes, this resolution on applies to the 3 months stated. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to approve Resolution 2020-11 Emergency Resolution to address the public health crisis caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19) to suspend water shutoffs for March – May 2020. Mayor Ruth Jr. stated the city is not waiving late fees for the service, just help ease the pressure for the residents. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

# Resolution 2020-11

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ADDRESS THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS CAUSED BY THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) TO SUSPEND WATER SHUTOFFS FOR MARCH-MAY 2020.

WHEREAS, the City of Deadwood has the authority pursuant to SDCL 9-32-1 to pass resolutions in order for the promotion of health, safety, and suppression of disease in the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deadwood has deemed it to be in the public interest to suspend water shutoffs for April and May of 2020 due to financial hardships caused by COVID-19.

WHEREAS, the City of Deadwood has determined it will not shut off water due to nonpayment beginning on March 30, 2020. The city will still run past due notices for those customers who will be sixty (60) days past due at the end of the current month. Those notices will be mailed on the sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) of each month.

WHEREAS, this resolution shall remain in effect until May 31, 2020 unless extended by the Deadwood City Commission.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that, pursuant to SDCL 9-32-1+, this resolution is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and Deadwood, shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Dated this 30th day of March, 2020

ATTEST:

CITY OF DEADWOOD

/s/ Jessicca McKeown, Finance Officer

/s/ David Ruth Jr., Mayor

Attorney Riggins requested Executive Session for legal matters per SDCL 1-25-2(3) and personnel matters per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) with possible action.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Martinisko moved, Struble seconded to adjourn the special session at 3:10 p.m. and convene into Executive Session for legal matters per SDCL 1-25-2(3) and personnel matters per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) with possible action. The next regular meeting will be on Monday, April 6, 2020.

After coming out of executive session at 3:50 p.m. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to allow department heads to direct those employees that are able to work remotely to do so as of March 31, 2020. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

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Martinisko moved, Todd seconded to adjourn.

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BY:

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