

All About Voles

Does your yard look like a racetrack after the snow melted? Blame the voles.

Voles, also known as field or meadow mice, have furry, stocky bodies with short legs and tails. There are 23 species in the United States but two of the greatest consequences to gardeners are the meadow and pine voles.

Meadow voles are about five and a half to seven and a half inches long and live mostly above ground, traveling in one to two inch wide runways in meadows, orchards and old fields. The trails are predominantly noticeable right after the snow has melted.



Pine voles reach the length of four to six inches and are subterranean rodents that create extensive networks of underground tunnels. Their typical habitat is the shrubby edge between woods and meadows.

Voles do not hibernate and are active day and night year round. They breed year round as well with a gestation period of only three weeks. Litters can yield up to nine offspring resulting in rapidly increasing populations.

Their immense appetite for vegetation garners the attention of gardeners. Voles feed on both the above ground and below ground parts of plants like grasses, seeds, fruit, roots, tubers, and bulbs. Fragments of sharp stone may be added to soil to deter some tunneling. The surest way to protect tulips, crocuses and other valuable bulbs is to plant them inside a wire mesh box made of hardware cloth.

Because voles avoid exposed areas, keep the grass mowed, remove weeds and pick up litter to reduce vole habitats.

For more information regarding voles, please visit <https://extension.sdstate.edu/vole-damage-junipers-small-trees> or http://www.blackhillsgarden.com/index.php?p=1_114_All-about-voles.

(Information courtesy of BlackHillsGarden.com)

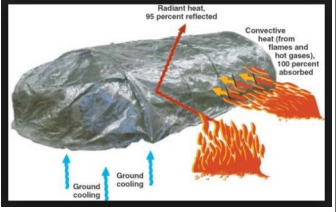
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Deadwood Volunteer Fire Department Receives Assistance from South Dakota Division of Wild Fire

The Deadwood Volunteer Fire Department received word they were awarded a **Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant** which is a 50% matching grant from the South Dakota Department of Agriculture Division of Wild Fire.


DVFD will receive \$4,815.55 as a 50% match for the purchase of wildland hard hats for each member of the department and three (3) digital portable radios which will work on the new state radio system. Also, DVFD will purchase four (4) wildland fire shelters.



The addition of the new hard hats will increase the safety for firefighters on wildland fires as they are replacing outdated equipment. The additional fire shelters will ensure all firefighters have a fire shelter. Portable radios will be placed in the three wildland vehicles and will allow communications if the firefighters must leave the vehicles for sizing up situations or checking out possible hazards.

This grant is made possible through the South Dakota Department of Agriculture Wild Fire Division and will reimburse 50% of the total \$9,631.10 dollars for the much needed equipment.





Mark Your Calendars!

June 1, 2020 — Monday
City Commission Meeting
 5:00 p.m. @ Deadwood City Hall

June 3, 2020 — Wednesday
Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting
 5:00 p.m. @ Deadwood City Hall

June 10, 2020 — Wednesday
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
 5:00 p.m. @ Deadwood City Hall

June 15, 2020 — Monday
City Commission Meeting
 5:00 p.m. @ Deadwood City Hall

June 17, 2020 — Wednesday
Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting
 5:00 p.m. @ Deadwood City Hall



FATHER'S DAY
June 21, 2020



June 24, 2020 — Wednesday
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
 5:00 p.m. @ Deadwood City Hall

City Commission

Charlie Struble and Mike Johnson were sworn in for three-year terms as City Commissioners at the May 4, 2020 City Commission meeting. Both candidates ran unopposed, resulting in no election on April 14, 2020. Congratulations Charlie & Mike!



Police Department

The Deadwood Police Department would like to remind drivers to **slow down** in residential areas. Summer is here and more and more pedestrians and children are out and about. Please be mindful of your speed!

Thank you!



City Updates on Openings

The City of Deadwood anticipates opening the following city buildings on the date provided below. Unfortunately all dates are subject to change due to Covid-19.

- City Hall - Open to the public effective May 26, 2020
- Recreation Center - Anticipated open date of June 15, 2020 (with restrictions)
- Mt. Moriah - Open to the public effective May 18, 2020
- Welcome Center - Open to the public with limited access effective May 22, 2020
- History & Information Center - Open to the public with limited access effective May 22, 2020
- Library - Offering curb-side services effective May 18, 2020
- City Public Restrooms - Staggered openings effective May 18, 2020 with all open by May 22, 2020

Discovering Deadwood's Past

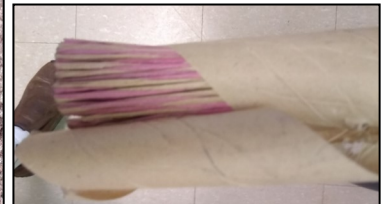
On May 15, 2020, construction crews working at Jacob's Brewhouse (79 Sherman Street) made an interesting discovery when drilling footing holes for a new outdoor patio. In one of the holes the auger cut through a buried utility.

The City of Deadwood Streets Department was called in to investigate. Based on their assessment, the utility consisted of copper wires incased in a lead sleeve that was then placed inside a clay pipe used as conduit.

After some research and consulting with a former telephone company employee, it was determined the utility was an early phone line, circa 1920 to 1930.

This discovery and the coordinated effort to retrieve the data is a good example how different municipal departments work

together to preserve Deadwood's rich and amazing past.



Welcome Patty Brown,
the new librarian for the
Deadwood Public Library!

Treasurers Trash for Cash Annual Garage Sale Postponed

First Day of
Summer
June 20, 2020



The Annual Treasurers Trash for Cash Garage Sale has been postponed until September. For more information, please contact Denese Emanuel at (605) 578-1401.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Deadwood City Hall (605) 578-2600

Lawrence County Dispatch (605) 578-2230

Deadwood Recreational Center (605) 578-3729

Deadwood Planning & Preservation Office (605) 578-2082

Deadwood Police Department **Non-emergency** (605) 578-2623

Deadwood Public Library (605) 578-2821

Deadwood Public Works Office (605) 578-3082

Lead/Deadwood Regional Hospital (605) 717-6000

Deadwood Fire Department **Non-emergency** (605) 578-1212

Deadwood City Commission meets the **first and third Monday at 5:00 p.m.**

Planning & Zoning Commission meets the **first and third Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.**

Historic Preservation Commission meets the **second and fourth Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.**

Chamber Corner

Dear Deadwood Chamber Members:

The Deadwood City Commission approved the re-opening of Deadwood businesses on Thursday, May 7, 2020. Many businesses are open. A list of the open businesses along with businesses with pending opening dates, and other pertinent information including protocols can be found at www.deadwood.com/events.

If your business or organization has an opening date or is making adjustments with your operations, please email amanda@deadwood.org and/or call (605) 578-1876 to let us know. We will update this list as often as needed.

Thank you!

Deadwood Chamber of Commerce

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2020 Census Infogram

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2020 Census - Denver Region Facts - May 5, 2020

Response Rate Fun Facts

- Utah had the second highest cumulative total self-response rate with 61.1 percent, behind Washington with 62 percent
- Campbell County, South Dakota had the highest daily total self-response rate with 1.3 percent, followed by Hanson County, South Dakota with 1.2 percent
- Los Alamos County, New Mexico had the highest cumulative Internet self-response rate at 72.6 percent
- Los Alamos County New Mexico was the top western county by area with a self-response rate of 76.7 percent

Denver Region Response Rates

Arizona	53.7%
Colorado	60.1%
Kansas	61.7%
Montana	48.4%
Nebraska	63.9%
New Mexico	44.7%
North Dakota	56.8%
Oklahoma	50.9%
South Dakota	57.3%
Texas	51.5%
Utah	61.3%
Wyoming	47.5%
National	56.8%

Hours of Operation

Deadwood City Hall

Opens May 26, 2020
8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Deadwood Public Library

Offering curbside services
effective May 18, 2020

Deadwood Public Works Office

Opens May 26, 2020
8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Lead-Deadwood Landfill

8 AM - 4 PM (Mon - Sat)

Deadwood Recreational Center

Anticipated open date of
June 15, 2020 (with restrictions)

Adams Museum

Opens June 1, 2020
9 AM - 5 PM Daily*

Suggested donation: \$5 for adults,
\$2 for children

Historic Adams House

Opens June 1, 2020
9 AM - 5 PM Daily*

Admission: Adults \$10, Children 6-12
\$5, Children 5 and under free

Homestake Adams Research & Cultural Center (HARCC)

Opens June 1, 2020
10 AM - 4 PM (Mon - Fri)

History & Information Center (Depot)

Open with limited access
effective May 22, 2020

Welcome Center

Open with limited access
effective May 22, 2020

Days of '76 Museum

Opens June 1, 2020
9 AM - 5 PM Daily*

Admission: Adults \$8, Children 6-12
\$3, Children 5 and under free

Deadwood Fire Department

Opens May 26, 2020
8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Deadwood Police Department

Opens May 26, 2020
8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Lawrence County Courthouse

CONTACT FOR AVAILABILITY

Deadwood Chamber of Commerce

9 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Staff will not receive walk-ins.
Please schedule an appointment.

*Group tours available with
advanced reservations

TROLLEY SCHEDULE Summer, 2020

DAYS	NUMBER OF TROLLEYS	TIME RUNNING
EFFECTIVE November 15, 2019		
Sunday through Thursday	1st Trolley	10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.
Friday & Saturday	1st Trolley	8:00 A.M. to 3:00 A.M.
	2nd Trolley	1:30 P.M. to 1:30 A.M.
	3rd Trolley	5:20 P.M. to 10:20 P.M.
THERE IS NO 24-HOUR SERVICE		
Schedule will be followed as closely as possible. Delays may be caused by weather, traffic, construction, equipment failure, etc. A third and fourth trolley will operate during special events. Thank you!		

**CLOSED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE!**

MAIN STREET INITIATIVE

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The Committees meet as follows:

Promotions Committee — 1st Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. — Louie Lalonde 578-3346

Design Committee — 2nd Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. — Bill Glover 578-2116/641-4001

Economic Restructuring Committee — 3rd Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. — Ken Geinger 639-3004

Organization Committee — 3rd Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. — Ken Geinger 639-3004

HP Programs Review

In April 2020, the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission approved six grant requests.

Carla Laun - Elderly Resident Program

Rodney Howell - Elderly Resident Program

Mel Dennis - Wood Windows & Doors Program

Bruce & Mary Ann Oberlander - Siding Program

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**Thank you for helping preserve and maintain
Deadwood's historic integrity!**

Deadwood Public Library

Curbside Services Now Available at the Deadwood Public Library!

Beginning May 18, 2020, books and DVDs can be put on hold by phone (578-2821) from 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Monday through Friday or through our online catalog at deadwood.blackhills.bywatersolutions.com 24/7.

Search the catalog and when you find the item you are searching for click "Place Hold". Only items in the Deadwood Library collection are available for loan at this time.

To access your account, sign in with your library card number and password. You may also choose to email us your requests at deadwoodlibrary@outlook.com 24/7. One pick-up per day per patron is allowed.

Please provide the following information on phone calls or emails: name attached to your library card, best phone number where you can be reached, and title/author of the items requested.

Library staff will call or send you an email when the materials are ready for pick-up. You may then park in front of the library anytime between 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. If you are on foot, please let us know, we will make arrangements for this too!

Upon arrival, call the library at 578-2821, let us know whose books you are picking up and what vehicle you are driving. Library staff will leave materials in front of your car (please allow the staff to re-enter the building before retrieving materials).

Return used materials via the book drop at the front of the building.

