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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 9, 2023
To: Deadwood City Commission
From: Kevin Kuchenbecker, Historic Preservation Officer
Re: Purchase the Shane Pollreisz Archival Collection

In October of 2022 Shane Pollreisz of Mitchell, South Dakota approached the Historic Preservation Office about purchasing an assortment of archival documents, photographs, ephemera and municipal documents as related to the City of Deadwood, Seth Bullock, and other notable citizens of Deadwood, South Dakota. At the time of the inquiry, the owner nor Historic Preservation staff, had an idea of the fair market value of this assemblage.

In December of 2022, the City Archives received permission to hire Peg Aplan, a Certified Antique Appraiser from Tilford, South Dakota to conduct a fair market appraisal of the abovementioned assemblage at the cost of \$400.00. A copy of Ms. Aplan's final report is attached to this memorandum. The Historic Preservation Office offered Mr. Pollreisz \$21,950.00 for the documents, per the Aplan appraisal report, and he accepted the offer. If approved these materials will be added to the Historic Preservation's archival collection and displayed online through the City Archives search engine at: <https://cityofdeadwood.pastperfectonline.com>.

The Historic Preservation Commission reviewed this request at their February 8, 2023 meeting and recommend purchasing the Shane Pollreisz Collection of historic documents in the amount of \$21,950.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Move to recommend to the City Commission to purchase the Shane Pollreisz collection of Historic Deadwood documents in the amount of \$21,950.00 for be paid out of the 2023 HPC Collections and Acquisitions line item.