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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 27, 2026
To: Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission
From: Mike Runge, City Archivist
Re: **Digitization of Oral History Cassettes, PHASE I of III**

The City Archives is requesting permission to hire Airshow Mastering of Boulder, Colorado to digitize 50 of the 148 oral history recordings from the 1990s and 2000s on audio cassettes housed at the City Archives and Deadwood Public Library. Since 2002, the City Archives has collected 206 oral histories. The interviews and their content encompass a broad spectrum of topics including longtime residents, former city and historic preservation commissioners, past Deadwood mayors, members of the Deadwood U-Bet committee, and employees of the Homestake Slime Plant. For a complete list of oral histories, please see the attachment to this memorandum.

Prior to 2010, the oral history audio recordings were captured on magnetic audiotape cassettes. This technology has been replaced with digital recordings. To preserve and provide access to these early audio recordings, the City Archives would like to digitize its assemblage of audio cassettes.

Due to the number of audio recordings and cost of this project, the City Archives will divide the project into three parts. Phase I will digitize 14 cassette tapes from the Deadwood Public Library and 36 cassette tapes from the City Archives. The Deadwood Public Library will contribute \$2,000 to the project.

RECOMMENDATION:

Grant the City Archives permission to hire Airshow Mastering of Boulder, Colorado to digitize 50 of the 148 oral history recordings from the 1990s and 2000s on audio cassettes housed at the City Archives and Deadwood Public Library. The cost will not exceed the amount of \$7,300.00 and will come out of the 2026 Archives budget. The Deadwood Public Library will contribute \$2,000 to the project, reducing the City Archives cost to \$5,300.00. This project is a 2026 City Archives budgeted project.

City of Deadwood-Archives
Oral History Master List

Last Updated 01/05/2026

KEY

LTR = Long Time Resident
 LG = Limited Gaming / advent of Gaming in Deadwood
 PM = Past Deadwood Mayor
 CHURCH = Religious affiliation
 COM = City or Historic Preservation Commissioner
 TS = F.L. Thorpe Strike
 HPO = Historic Preservation Officer
 SP = Homestake Slime Plant Employee
 ED = Education
 MUSIC = B-Disc-S Recording Company
 CE = City Employee
 MT = Michelson Trail Project
 HMC = Homestake Mining Company Employee
 DAYS = Days of 76 Celebration
 VICE = Prostitution, Gaming Law Enforcement
 CC = Clowser Collection – Days of 76 Museum
 JAM = Deadwood Jam Celebration
 ART = Company of Fine Artists (1969-1971)
 RALLY = Sturgis Rally Origins
 COL = Archival Collections
 FIRE = Deadwood Volunteer Fire Department
 HICKOK = Author, life of James Butler Hickok

<u>Individual</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
1. Cyril C. "Bud" Loupe	11.21.1980	LTR
2. Agnes Ayres	2.14.1992	LTR
3. Peter Rich	2.20.1992	LTR
4. Don & Rose Fletcher	2.24.1992	LTR
5. Willard & Ann Iverson	3.31.1992	LTR
6. Wynn Lindstrom	4.16.1992	LTR
7. Verla & Louis Cisneros	5.11.1992	LTR
8. Cushman Clark	5.30.1992	LTR
9. Ethel Rosander	7.10.1992	LTR
10. Florence Hawki	9.15.1992	LTR

11.Don Clowser	9.28.1992	LTR
12.Paul Miller	12.22.1992	LTR
13.Hilda Klein	12.31.1992	LTR
14.Fred Mosley & Gerald Mosley	2.22.1993	LTR
15.Lucille Berger	3.17.1994	LTR
16.James Berger	8.02.1996	LTR
17.James Berger	8.03.1997	LTR
18.Joseph Vancas	5.16.2002	LTR
19.Bill Walsh	11.21.2003	LG
20.Tom Blair	1.12.2004	LG/PM
21.Linda Blair	2.10.2004	LG
22.Barbara Allen	6.14.2005	PM
23.Jon Mattson	6.15.2005	LG
24.Willard Pummel	6.16.2005	PM
25.Melodee Nelson	6.17.2005	LG
26.James Shea	6.18.2005	PM
27.David Larson	6.21.2005	LG
28.Mary Dunn	3.24.2006	LG
29.Orville "French" Bryan	3.24.2006	PM
30.Hank Frawley	3.25.2006	LTR
31.Bruce Oberlander	3.23.2006	PM
32.Sister Maureen Griffin	3.21.2006	LTR/CHURCH
33.Mike Trucano	3.20.2006	LG
34.Paul Putz	7.19.2006	LG
35.Vince Coyle	5.15.2007	LTR
36.Edna Robinson	5.16.2007	LTR
37.Glen Stratton	5.17.2007	LTR/COM
38.Sophie Bichler	5.23.2007	LTR/TS
39.Willis Steinlicht	5.23.2007	LTR/COM
40.Paul Dahms	5.25.2007	LTR/CHURCH
41.Hank Frawley	5.26.2007	LTR
42.Rosemary Nowell	5.29.2007	LTR/TS
43.Vivian Hollister	5.29.2007	LTR/TS
44.Don Gromer	6.03.2007	LG
45.Georgeann Silvernail	6.04.2007	LTR/COM
46.Francis Lauer	8.01.2007	LTR
47.Shirley Black	8.02.2007	LTR
48.Larry Shama	8.04.2007	LTR
49.Grace Schmit	8.04.2007	LTR/CHURCH

50.Reed Richards	11.09.2007	LG
51.Mike Wardeman	1.15.2008	LG
52.Mel Allen	1.16.2008	LTR
53.Stan Triplett	1.17.2008	LG
54.Charles Lien	4.03.2008	LG
55.Mark Wolfe	4.06.2008	LG/HPO
56.Lillian Shea	9.10.2008	LTR
57.Walter & Verline Wiswell	9.15.2008	LTR
58.Jerry Pontius	9.16.2008	LTR
59.Jill Pontius	9.16.2008	LTR
60.Joyce Shostrum	9.17.2008	LTR
61.Keith Shostrum	9.17.2008	LTR
62.Betty Coburn	4.30.2009	LTR
63.Viola Crane	4.30.2009	LTR
64.Carlton Spindler	10.26.2009	LTR/LG
65.Phyllis Fleming	10.27.2009	LG
66.Bob Kelly	10.27.2009	LTR
67.Linda Church	10.30.2009	LTR/MUSIC
68.Kenneth Morris	12.30.2009	LG
69.Bob Phillips	10.28.2009	SP/ED
70.Ronald Island	10.29.2009	LTR/COM
71.Joan Skeesick	10.30.2009	LTR/MUSIC
72.Helen Auer	04.20.2010	LTR
73.Bob Phillips	04.27.2010	SP/ED
74.Tom Richard	04.28.2010	SP
75.Donald "Sonny" Sorenson	04.28.2010	LTR/COM
76.Lila Sorenson	04.28.2010	LTR
77.Dave Akrop	04.29.2010	LTR
78.Carlton Spinder	04.29.2010	LTR/LG
79.Jim Wilson	10.04.2010	HPO
80.Chris Hetzel	10.05.2010	HPO
81.Dana Valliencourt	11.30.2010	CE
82. Don Derossier	03.15.2011	LTR
83. Yvonne Derosier	03.15.2011	LTR
84. Wally Molman	03. 15.2011	LTR
85. Maryagnes Caron	03.17.2011	LTR
86. Janet Lamphere	03.17.2011	LTR
87. Maurice Etem	03.18.2011	LTR
88. Ronda Morrison	10.07.2011	LTR/CE

89. Carla Caneva	10.12.2011	LTR
90. Jim Shedd	11.30.2011	LTR
91. Ken Hawki	11.30.2011	LTR/CE
92. Dotie Williams	04.24.2012	LTR
93. Guy Edwards	04.25.2012	MT
94. Jill Guest	04.25.2012	LTR/ED
95. Dave Snyder	04.25.2012	MT
96. Doug Hofer	05.09.2012	MT
97. Rocky & Barb Mattson	08.24.2012	LTR
98. Lawrence Kracht	08.25.2012	LTR
99. Ethel Beatty	08.25.2012	LTR
100. John Trembath	12.13.2012	MT
100. <u>John Bissell</u>	12.17.2012	MT
101. Mike Cody	01.09.2013	MT
102. Kim Rapp	01.17.2013	MT
103. Deb Maynard	11.04.2013	LTR
104. Melvin Maynard	11.07.2013	LTR
105. Harley Noem	11.19.2013	MT
106. Paul Bosworth	11.18.2013	MT
107. Craig Eichstadt	12.06.2013	MT
108. Nancy Moore	12.13.2013	LTR
109. Joe Abraham	11.12.1997	LTR
110. Gerhardt Goodrich	04.03.2003	LTR/HMC
111. Vida Krause	04.04.2003	LTR/HMC
112. William Adam	04.04.2003	LTR/HMC
113. Benjamin Stone III	04.11.2003	LTR/HMC
114. <u>Roy Heinen</u>	04.08.2003	LTR/HMC
115. Scott McGregor	12.17.2013	MT
116. William "Bill" Groethe	05.28.2014	LTR/DAYS
117. William "Bill" Beshara	05.29.2014	LTR
118. Lester Karas	05.30.2014	LTR
119. Randy Haynes	05.30.2014	LTR
120. David Schweitert	07.10.2014	MT
121. Lillian Stauffacher	09.19.2014	LTR
122. James Dunn	07.14.2014	LTR/LG
123. Marie Smith	09.23.2014	LTR
124. Frank Newell	08.22.2014	LTR
125. David Bald Eagle	09.25.2014	DAYS
126. <u>Josee Bald Eagle</u>	09.25.2014	DAYS
127. Francis Toscana	07.21.2015	PM

128.	June Treber	07.23.2015	LTR/ED
129.	Keith Umenthum	07.24.2015	CE
130.	Nancy Phillips	10.07.2015	ED
131.	Taffy Tucker	10.07.2015	LG/LTR
132.	Roslyn Ridley	07.24.2015	DAYS/LTR
133.	Jim Phillips	10.07.2015	LTR/ED
134.	Sandra Gallacher	10.11.2015	VICE
135.	Bill Glover	07.23.2015	LTR/CE
136.	Dona Randolph	07.23.2015	LTR/CC
137.	<u>Edward Clowser</u>	<u>10.27.2015</u>	<u>DAYS/CC</u>

*****NO HISTORIES WERE COLLECTED IN 2016*****

138.	Melody Dennis	08/02/2017	LTR/JAM
139.	Michael Johnson	08/02/2017	ART
140.	Gary Allen Witt	08/02/2017	LTR
141.	Scott Moses	08/15/2017	LTR/VICE
142.	John "Duff" Erickson	10/10/2017	LTR
143.	Markie Scholz	09/07/2017	ART
144.	Dick Termes	09/07/2017	ART
145.	Jim Sayer	12/12/2017	ART
146.	Harold Storsve	12/18/2017	ART
147.	<u>Tony Chytka</u>	<u>12/30/2017</u>	<u>ART</u>
148.	Corinne Weber	09/19/2018	LTR
149.	Mary Ann Oberlander	11/14/2018	LTR
150.	Colette Stoneberger	11/15/2018	LTR
151.	Gloria Gurwell (Burtzloff)	11/17/2018	LTR
152.	Pat Eastmann	12/07/2018	CITY/LTR
153.	<u>Mark Speirs</u>	<u>12/08/2018</u>	<u>CITY/LTR</u>
154.	E. Richard Dunwiddie	06/21/2019	LTR
155.	Richard Schlax	06/27/219	LTR
156.	Malcolm David Allen	06/28/2019	LTR
157.	Ken Lester	10/08/2019	LTR
158.	Bonnie Huber	09/23/2019	LTR
159.	David Klein	09/27/2019	LTR
160.	Willie Aldrich	12/11/2019	LTR
161.	John Keene	11/22/2019	LTR
162.	Susan D'Aniello	12/04/2019	LTR
163.	Linda Wells	12/09/2019	LTR
164.	<u>Michael Tuma</u>	<u>12/16/2019</u>	<u>ART</u>

165.	John Trucano	07/17/2020	LTR
166.	Barbara Houske	08/24/2020	LTR
167.	Craig Ordahl	10/07/2020	LTR
168.	Janice L. Harrison	10/16/2020	LTR
169.	Keith Fox	10/17/2020	LTR
170.	Gerald Pokorney	12/11/2020	LTR
171.	Phyllis Pokorney	12/11/2020	LTR
172.	Kenneth Hawki	12/11/2020	LTR
173.	Ron Dyvig	03/25/2021	LTR
174.	Mary Ann Corbett	04/16/2021	LTR/VICE
175.	Bill Auer	08/27/2021	LTR
176.	John Arleth	08/31/2021	LTR/CITY
177.	Mary Schmit	09/10/2021	LG/JAM
178.	Stan Angle	10/28/2021	ED/LTR
179.	John McEuen	11/19/2021	JAM
180.	Ron Russo	12/10/2021	LG
181.	Linda Frederick	11/24/2021	LTR
182.	Spencer Ruff	04/22/2022	LG
183.	Jim Salestrom	05/17/2022	JAM
184.	Robert Sjomeling	07/06/2022	LTR
185.	Arthur Campbell	09/30/2022	LTR
186.	Joy McCracken	10/04/2022	LTR
187.	Mark Aspaas	09/26/2022	LG
188.	Tim Schreiner	11/03/2022	VICE
189.	Kenny Putnam	11/15/2022	JAM
190.	Chris Burleson	12/06/2022	LTR
191.	Janet Lanphear	12/09/2022	LTR
192.	Keith Ball	04/13/2023	RALLY
193.	Richard Turbiville	05/16/2023	LG/LTR
194.	Grant Welford	11/29/2023	COL/DAYS
195.	Adam Hudson	11/29/2023	LTR
196.	Brad Hemmah	11/29/2023	LG
197.	Mike Klamm	11/29/2023	FIRE/LTR
198.	Rose Speirs	12/21/2023	LG/LTR
199.	John Bey	09/11/2023	LTR
200.	Georgette Oiyon	11/28/2023	LTR/LG
201.	Phil Breland	11/27/2023	LTR/LG
202.	Harry Hinds	05/13/2024	SP/HMC
203.	Scott Martin	06/22/2024	LTR/LG
204.	Frank Maynard	06/22/2024	LTR/CE

205.	Shebby Lee	08/16/2024	LTR/LG
206.	A.A. "Bud" Coburn	04/28/1992	LTR
207.	Lynn Namminga	10/07/2025	COM
208.	Sandy Snapp Hennen	10/12/2025	LTR
209.	Larry Shama	12/17/2024	LTR
210.	James "Mic" Regan	06/30/2025	HICKOK
211.	Donovan Renner	11/12/2025	CE/LTR

AIRSHOW

MASTERING + RESTORATION

August 8, 2025
Michael Runge
City of Deadwood Archives
Via email

Dear Michael:

Thank you for contacting Airshow regarding digitization of the final section of your oral history archive that is stored on cassette tapes.

Of the 148 items remaining, you have asked us to quote the first 50 cassettes for digital transfer in 2026.

Our rates for cassette transfers are a combination of a per-item charge and a per-hour charge for the actual minutes of audio contained on a cassette. For example, a 60-minute cassette that holds a 15-minute interview would be billed as follows: \$18 per item + \$20 for ¼ of an hour of audio, total \$38.

The purpose of this letter is to give you a "not to exceed" estimate for the first 50 cassettes based on the tape capacity, since we won't know the actual duration of the audio until we play them back.

1. 6 qty 60-minute cassettes @ \$80	\$ 480
2. 35 qty 90-minute cassettes @ \$120	4,200
3. 9 qty 110-minute or longer cassettes @ \$146.30	1,317
4. 50 qty items @ \$18	900
5. Transfer hard drive	TBD
6. Contingency 5% for media repairs	<u>344</u>

Total \$7241 + hard drive

As we discussed, the final cost is likely to be lower than this figure; this estimate should be viewed as a "not to exceed" quote.

We're looking forward to working with your collection.

Best wishes,



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