

REGULAR MEETING, JULY 20, 2026

The Regular Session of the Deadwood City Commission convened on Monday, July 20, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in the Deadwood City Commission Chambers, 102 Sherman Street, Deadwood, South Dakota. Dakota. Mayor Charlie Struble-Mook called the meeting to order with the following members present: Department Heads, City Attorney Quentin Riggins, and Commissioners Charles Eagleson, Michael Johnson, Sharon Martinisko and Mark Speirs. All motions passed unanimously unless otherwise stated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to approve the minutes of July 6. 2026. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

APROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS

Martinisko moved, Eagleson seconded to approve the July 20, 2026 disbursements. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	SERVICE	31.78
A TO Z SHREDDING	SERVICE	6.44
ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	95.49
ADOBE	LICENSES	2,878.80
ALBERTSON ENGINEERING	PROJECT	11,272.96
ALL NET CONNECTIONS	SERVICE	45.50
ALLEN, JESSE	MEETINGS	385.00
ALPINE IMPRESSIONS	SERVICE	18.00
AMAZON	SUPPLIES	1,684.30
AMERICAN ENGINEERING TESTING	PROJECT	5,575.00
AUTO VALUE	SUPPLIES	4,051.53
AVID4 ENGINEERING	PROJECT	24,417.50
BAILEY, ROBERT	PROJECT	695.43
BH ENERGY	SERVICE	29,526.59
BH LIBRARY CONSOR	SERVICE	569.14
BH PIONEER	SERVICE	695.55
BLOOMERS	MEMORIAL	70.00
BRICKS R US	SUPPLIES	44.00
BROWN, MOLLY	MEETINGS	350.00
CED SPEARFISH	SUPPLIES	480.00
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	SERVICE	213.85
CHAINSAW CENTER	SUPPLIES	206.94
COMPETITIVE MASONRY	PROJECT	8,500.00
CROSSWHITE, SEQUOIA	PRESENTATION	100.00
CULLIGAN	SUPPLIES	94.25
DAKOTA PUMP	SERVICE	4,962.06
DEADWOOD ALIVE	ALLOCATION	10,000.00
DEADWOOD CHAMBER	BILL LIST	53,030.84
DEADWOOD CUSTOM CYCLES	SERVICE	880.09
DEADWOOD HISTORY	SERVICE	993.33
DVFD	STAFFING	859.02
ECOLAB	SERVICE	434.67
FIB CREDIT CARDS	SUPPLIES	4,030.10
FULLER CONSTRUCTION	PROJECT	34,033.55
GALLS	UNIFORMS	152.00
GOLDEN WEST INDUSTRIAL	SUPPLIES	815.51
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICE	11,414.48
GUNDERSON, PALMER, NELSON	SERVICE	11,230.71
HEIMAN	SUPPLIES	958.06
INLAND TRUCK PARTS	REPAIR	1,260.16
IPS GROUP	SERVICE	8,104.97
K & P WEAVER	UNIFORMS	1,853.41
KNIPPER, ANITA	MEETINGS	315.00
KONE CHICAGO	SERVICE	621.85
LAWRENCE CO. EQUALIZATION	PAY #3	11,276.00
LAWRENCE CO. REGISTER	SERVICE	120.00
LEAD-DEADWOOD SANITARY	SERVICE	30,290.18
LIBBY PRODUCTIONS	REFUND	2,550.00
LYNN'S	SUPPLIES	38.99
MCKEOWN, AARON	REIMBURSEMENT	129.65
MENARD'S	SUPPLIES	242.85
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOLUTION	SUPPLIES	136.28
MIDWEST TAPE	SUPPLIES	324.53
MONUMENT HEALTH	SERVICE	100.00
MS MAIL	SERVICE	620.52
NAJA SHRINERS	REFUND	1,100.00
NHS OF THE BLACK HILLS	SERVICE	4,749.73
NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS	SUPPLIES	133.24
ONSITE FIRST AID	SUPPLIES	373.47
PHOENIX UNIFORMS	UNIFORMS	79.60
PORTABLE COMPUTER SYSTEMS	CAMERA SYSTEM	13,592.88
POSEY, BEVERLY	MEETINGS	420.00
QUADIENT FINANCE	POSTAGE	500.00
QUIK SIGNS	SERVICE	657.94
ROCKINGTREE LANDSCAPES	MEMORIAL	140.00
ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK FOUNDATION	REFUND	2,350.00
RUNNING SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	314.34
SAFE LIFE DEFENSE	UNIFORMS	539.10
SCHMIDT, WILLIAM	PROJECT	3,500.00
SD COMMISSION ON GAMING	CITY SLOTS	32,386.36
SD DEPT. OF REVENUE	LICENSE	150.00
SD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	MEMBERSHIP	96.00
SDN COMMUNICATIONS	SERVICE	2,646.00

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SHERWIN WILLIAMS	SUPPLIES	3,061.05
SKYLINE ENGINEERING	PROJECT	920.00
SODAK TITLE	SERVICE	150.00
SOUTH DAKOTA 811	SERVICE	91.84
SOUTHSIDE OIL	FUEL	17,353.47
SOUTHSIDE SERVICE	SERVICE	105.00
SPEARFISH BUILDING & SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	137.95
STRAIGHT LINE STRIPING	PROJECT	12,713.86
SUMMIT SIGNS	SERVICE	540.00
T & W APPLIANCE	SERVICE	150.00
THE JUNK DRAWER	SUPPLIES	683.30
TOMS, DON	PROJECT	600.00
TRUGREEN	SERVICE	2,549.17
UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION	PROJECT	330,473.54
VERIZON CONNECT	SERVICE	219.75
VIEHAUSER ENTERPRISES	SERVICE	44.00
VIGILANT BUSINESS	SERVICE	315.00
WATERS HARDWARE	GRANTS	264.78
WEM	REFUND	1,000.00
WEST RIVER SOLID WASTE	SERVICE	15,826.39
WESTERN LEGACY FOUNDATION	REFUND	2,350.00
WHEELER LUMBER OPERATIONS	SUPPLIES	1,034.88
WILLIAMS, DIANA	MEETINGS	315.00
		Total \$738,414.50

CONSENT

Martinisko moved, Eagleson seconded to approve the following consent items. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

- A. Permission to promote Police Officer John Reiser to Police Sergeant II at \$31.25 per hour effective July 19, 2026.
- B. Permission to hire Tamara Collier and Arthur Nusom as part-time trolley drivers at \$17.65 an hour effective July 29, 2026 pending pre-employment screening.
- C. Permission to move Leah Blue-Zones from Zoning Coordinator to full-time HP Program Coordinator at same rate of pay, effective at time current position is filled.
- D. Permission to advertise in-house for 5 days and with outside sources, if needed, for full-time Zoning Coordinator position at \$23.00 to \$25.00 per hour depending on education, experience and qualifications.
- E. Permission to approve job description for newly created Senior Parks Technician position.
- F. Permission to post in-house for 5 days for Senior Parks Technician position at \$22.00 per hour.
- G. Acknowledge receipt of grant funding in the amount of \$7,457,962.29 for DR4467 July 2019 Flood Event within the City of Deadwood. Authorize payment to SD Dept of Public Safety in the amount of \$6,616,611.72 for advance loan utilized during construction and FEMA closeout process.
- H. Resolution 2026-20 Authorizing the installation of a yield sign on Lee Street at its intersection with Sherman Street.
- I. Acknowledge partial grant payment received from SD DOT Community Access in the amount of \$450,000.00 for the Crescent Street project.
- J. Authorize the transfer of the Wild Bill sign (located at 624 Main St) following payment and execution of a conservation easement.
- K. Permission to purchase two pieces of workout equipment from Abs Company, Inc. in the amount of \$4,852.32. (To be paid by Recreation equipment line item.)
- L. Permission to pay Utility Service Co., Inc for the McGovern Hill water tanks annual maintenance agreement in the amount of \$37,648.00. (To be paid by Water Professional Services line item.)
- M. Permission to pay Adobe for one year subscription to Acrobat Pro in the amount of \$2,878.80 for ten (10) employees. (To be paid by various departments.)
- N. Approve continuation of a Conditional Use Permit for Bed and Breakfast Establishment – 7 Burlington Street – Burlington B&B for the next twelve (12) months. (Recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission on July 15, 2026, with nine (9) conditions.)
- O. Approve continuation of a Conditional Use Permit for Vacation Home Establishment – 596 Main Street – JVK-SD, LLC for the next twelve (12) months. (Recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission July 15, 2026 with nine (9) conditions.)

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

License

Public hearing was opened at 5:03 p.m. by Mayor Struble-Mook. Michael Maloney, Deadwood Harley Davidson, was available for questions, hearing closed. Martinisko moved, Eagleson seconded to approve Retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine and Retail (on-off sale) Wine and Cider License for EP SO Sturgis SD, LLC dba Deadwood Harley Davidson at 681 Main Street. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Thrashin Supply

Public hearing was opened at 5:05 p.m. by Mayor Struble-Mook. Bobby Rock, Outlaw Square, was available for questions, hearing closed. Johnson moved, Martinisko seconded to approve street closure on Deadwood Street from Main Street to Pioneer Way from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and use of Interpretive Lot from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2026. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Daughters of the Road Ride

Public hearing was opened at 5:06 p.m. by Mayor Struble-Mook. Bobby Rock, Outlaw Square, was available for questions, hearing closed. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to approve use of Interpretive Lot from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2026. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Steer Roping

Public hearing was opened at 5:07 p.m. by Mayor Struble-Mook. No one spoke in favor or against, hearing closed. Johnson moved, Eagleson seconded to approve waiver of user fees Friday, August 14 through Sunday, August 16, open container Friday, August 14 through Sunday, August 16 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. daily and ending at 2:00 a.m. on Monday, August 17, and special liquor license for Days of '76 Committee from Friday, August 14 through Sunday, August 16, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Event Complex. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance

Fire Chief Ellis and City Attorney Riggins spoke about the Ordinance. Martinisko moved, Speirs seconded to approve first reading of Ordinance #1447 Enforcement. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Grants

Planning, Zoning and Historic Preservation Officer Kuchenbecker spoke about the grants. Martinisko moved, Eagleson seconded to award 2026 Round 2 Outside of Deadwood Grants Requests for a total of \$50,000.00 as recommended by Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission on July 8, 2026. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Purchase

Parks, Recreation & Events Director Adler spoke about the purchase. Martinisko moved, Speirs seconded to purchase 2026 Kubota SSV65HRC Skid Steer from Butte County Equipment in the amount of \$52,150.00 less trade of 2019 Kubota SSV65 and sign municipal equipment lease with Kubota Credit Corp. with 4 annual payments of \$7,251.38 per year. (To be paid by Parks equipment line item.) Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Pay

Ellis spoke about the repair. Martinisko moved, Spiers seconded to pay White's Canyon to repair the turbo in 2016 Ford F550 (Rescue 3) in the amount of \$7,819.10. (To be paid by Fire repair line item.) Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Quote

Kuchenbecker spoke about the project. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to accept quote of \$84,900.00 from FTH General Civil Contracting for retaining wall project at 15 Forest Avenue for Adrian Newkirk and allow Mayor to sign contract. Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

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Variance

Kuchenbecker spoke about the variance. Resident, Ronda Feterl, spoke against the variance. She stated the variance does not meet city standards and property is sitting in a flood plain according to Chapter 15.36 and Chapter 17.52 of the ordinances. Currently the ordinance allows three (3) lots per 5000 square foot minimum. She stated approving smaller lots and higher density in a flood sensitive area without proper safe guides sets a poor precedent for the community. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to continue to Act as Board of Adjustment and approve/deny Request for Variance - 199 Cliff Street (M. Reynolds.) Discussion was held regarding continuing. Roll Call: Aye-Johnson, Martinisko, Struble-Mook. Nay-Eagleson, Speirs. Motion carried.

Plat

Kuchenbecker requested to continue since variance was continued. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to continue Act as Board of Adjustment and approve/deny Application for Plat - 199 Cliff Street (M. Reynolds.) Roll Call: Aye-Johnson, Martinisko, Struble-Mook. Nay-Eagleson, Speirs. Motion carried.

Plat

Kuchenbecker spoke about the Plat. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to Act as Board of Adjustment and approve Application for Plat - 225 Cliff Street (Deadwood Land Company BHCI LLC) legally described as Deadwood's Gulch's of Fun Lot 1B and Lot 1C, being a portion of Deadwood Gulch Addition II. Formerly Deadwood Gulch's of Fun Tract 1, Lot AB10 in the US Highway 85 right-of-way in M.S. 107, lying adjacent to Deadwood Gulch's of Fun Tract 1, being a portion of Deadwood Gulch Addition II, and "lying adjacent to Deadwood Gulch's of Fun Tract 1" (Plat Doc #2017-4517 Surveyor's Affidavit of Correction Doc #2019-840), Lot AB1 in the US Highway 85 right-of-way. All located in the E 1/2 and SE 1/4 of Section 27, T5N, R3E, B.H.M., City of Deadwood, Lawrence County, South Dakota. (Approved by Planning and Zoning Commission July 15, 2026.) Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

Plat

Kuchenbecker spoke about the Plat. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to Act as Board of Adjustment and approve Application for Plat - 27 Lincoln Avenue (D. Castanie) legally described as Lot 4A of Block 42, formerly Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11, Block 42 part of Lots H, I, J & K, Block 35, vacated Cemetery Street and vacated alley located in the NW 1/4 of Section 26 and the SW 1/4 Section 23, T5N, R3E, B.H.M., Original Townsite, City of Deadwood, Lawrence County, South Dakota. (Approved by Planning and Zoning Commission July 15, 2026.) Roll Call: Aye-All. Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND ITEMS FROM CITIZENS

Resident, David Herdt, asked about the condition at St. Ambrose Cemetery. Adler stated Parks Department has taken care of the condition.

Resident, Sianna Gross, asked about transparency, accountability and the public right to question the people elected to represent Deadwood. She asked questions regarding a public statement that she felt appeared to take credit for resolving an issue that to her understanding had been addressed through existing regulations and ongoing efforts. Those questions remain unanswered, and comments have been deleted. She is concerned there is not a willingness by elected officials to engage in an open and honest discussion. She stated government works best when it welcomes accountability rather than avoiding it. She believes citizens voices who have been silent should be heard again and those who have been blocked from participating in public discussion have that access be restored. She stated no citizen should have to fear retaliation, exclusion or be treated differently simply because they exercise their right to respectfully question their government. Speaking during public comment is one of the ways citizens participate in local government, either in person meeting or social media discussions.

Resident, Bobby Rock, thanked the commission for handling city business and public. Things have changed in the last year for the positive and we continue moving forward. Dealing with personal issues shouldn't be an issue for this commission.

Attorney Riggins requested Executive Session for legal matters per SDCL 1-25-2(3) and contractual negotiations per SDCL 1-25-2(4) with possible action.

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ADJOURNMENT

Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to adjourn the regular session at 5:43 p.m. and convene into Executive Session for legal matters per SDCL 1-25-2(3) and contractual negotiations per SDCL 1-25-2(4) with possible action. The next regular meeting will be Monday, August 3, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

After coming out of executive session at 6:02 p.m. Martinisko moved, Johnson seconded to adjourn.

ATTEST:

DATE: _____

Jessica McKeown, Finance Officer

BY: _____
Charlie Struble-Mook, Mayor

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