RICHMOND LAKE SANITARY DISTRICT

ORDINANCE NO. 20-1

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING CONNECTION TO SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM FOR ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE RICHMOND LAKE SANITARY DISTRICT

SECTION I

REQUIRED CONNECTION TO SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

Pursuant to SDCL \$34A-5-35, all dwellings and other structures containing water and/or toilet facilities within the boundaries of the Richmond Lake Sanitary District which are now or in the future could be serviced by a septic tank system or any other type of waste disposal system, must be connected to the sanitary sewer facilities of the District. Such sanitary sewer connection shall be made to the Sanitary Sewer District at such time as the construction of the sanitary sewer system permits such connection. A property owner shall give notice to the District when hook-up of his/her dwelling and/or other structure is ready for hook-up to the system. If the property owner fails or refuses to connect to the sanitary system, the District may, pursuant to SDCL \$34A-5-35, cause such connection to be made. Upon notification from the Sanitary District of hook-up to system the property owner will have thirty (30) days to hook-up. The District may assess the cost of connection upon the land where the dwelling or structure is situated. The District may also assess a penalty of \$25.00 per day until the hook-up is complete.

SECTION II

DEFINITIONS

Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the definitions of terms used in this Ordinance shall be as follows:

- A. "Property owner" shall refer to any owner in fee of any residential or commercial property.
- B. "Wastewater system" shall refer to the public wastewater collection system being operated by the District at any time.
- C. "Residential users" are classified as owners of single family dwellings, individual condominium units, or individual mobile home units, whether seasonal or year-round.
- D. "Commercial users" shall be all types of users other than residential users and vacant lot owners when the property is used for any type of business, whether for profit or non-profit, including but not limited to multiple family dwelling units, apartment houses, hotels, mobile home units in designated or zoned mobile home courts, bed and breakfast facilities, dance halls, bars, resorts, bait shops, youth camps or public use areas and state park facilities, other than single family residential homes provided for park employees which shall be treated as residential users and all other enterprises.
- E. "Septic tank" shall mean a tank that meets the South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources standards.
- F. "Vacant lot" shall be a platted lot or unplatted tract of land on which no structure exists that contains any water or toilet facilities.

SECTION III ACCEPTABLE SEPTIC TANK REQUIREMENT

Property owners must provide prior to connection, at their expense, a septic tank which meets the standards of the SD Environment & Natural Resources. Following connection the District shall maintain such septic tank.

SECTION IV PROPERTY OWNER CONNECTION FEES

The property owner shall pay a connection fee to the District as follows:

- A. Residential and Commercial Users
 - 1. \$3,500.00 hook-up fee
 - 2. Fee is payable in full at time of hook-up
 - 3. Cost of pump and panel at time of hook-up shall be purchased from the District.

All connection fees remaining unpaid as of their due date shall be considered delinquent and shall be certified to the County Auditor in accordance with SDCL 34A-5-40.

SECTION V

VALIDITY

- A. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.
- B. The invalidity of any section clause, sentence, or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Ordinance which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

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