

AGENDA
REGULAR WHITEWOOD COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 2, 2025, 5:30 PM
CITY HALL

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVE MINUTES from Regular Meeting on May 19, 2025.
4. APPROVE THE CLAIMS.
5. LEGAL UPDATE.
6. APPROVE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2025-01- An Ordinance Granting Franchise to MDU.
7. ALLOW SELLING FIREWORKS IN CITY LIMITS.
8. ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-02- A Resolution authorizing Fireworks.
9. WHITEWOOD CRUISIN EVENT. (STREET CLOSURES, OPEN-CONTAINER ORDINANCE)
10. WARD II VACANCY.
11. LEAD-FREE WATER LINE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS.
12. BOOSTER STATION SECURITY CAMERAS.
13. MOSQUITO SPRAYING FOR 2025?
14. DEPARTMENT REPORTS.
 - Police Department Library Board Street Department
 - Water Department Finance Commission Liquor Commission
 - Sewer Department Parks Department Economic Development
 - ADA Commission Railroad Authority NH Waste Management
 - Emergency Management Historic Dist. Commiss.
15. PUBLIC COMMENTS
16. NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING- Monday, June 16, 2025, at 5:30pm
17. ADJOURN

REGULAR WHITEWOOD COUNCIL MEETING**May 19, 2025**

The Whitewood City Council met in regular session on Monday the 5th of May 2025 at City Hall. Mayor Mitch Harmon called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm, with Council members Roxie Cooper, Jeremy Noren, Jerry Davidson, Sara Fitzgerald, Shelbi Bulat, and Ray Huseby present. Attorney Fitzgerald, Police Chief Bach, Building Official Smit, Public Works Werlinger and Assistant Finance Officer Bestgen were also present.

Action 2025-075

Motion by Davidson, seconded by Cooper, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on May 5, 2025. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-076

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Noren, to approve the claims as presented. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

CLAIMS- MAY 19, 2025**GENERAL LEDGER**

DELTA DENTAL- Employee Dental Insurance	537.00
HEALTH POOL OF SD- Employee Health Insurance	8,188.53
UNITED HEALTH CARE- Employee Life Insurance	58.80
CITY OF WHITEWOOD- Take Deposit for Bill- Kudlock	100.00
TOTAL	\$8,884.33

GENERAL FUND

A&B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS- Police	59.99
ACE SERVICES- Asbestos Inspection	740.00
ALL NET CONNECTIONS- Police	22.75
AMAZON CAPITAL- Parks 382.13, Shop 121.57, Police 164.72	668.42
BH ENERGY-HH 165.52, CH 95.27, Shop 206.99, Police 177.11, Parks 165.87, Lights 1073.90	1,884.66
BLUEPEAK- Police 371.54, City Hall 469.45	840.99
BUTTE ELECTRIC- Exit Lights	415.17
JIM SMIT- Refund Park Supplies	23.23
JUNEKS- BI Pickup Repairs	263.00
MONTANA DAKOTA- City Hall 64.00, Hale Hall 122.60, Shop 94.25, Police 82.90	363.75
REPUBLIC NATIONAL- May Liquor	1,039.00
SONSET STATION- PW Fuel	110.62
SOUTHERN GLAZERS- May Liquor	826.61
SPEARFISH AUTO- Streets	104.46
TRUGREEN- Park Spraying	1,094.03
LEAD-DEADWOOD SCHOOL DIST.- 2025 Election Publications	39.75
SUNDANCE STATE BANK- Riley TIFD	53,672.34
CHAIN SAW CENTER- Parks	319.99
TOTAL	\$62,488.76

LIBRARY

A&B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	138.68
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AMAZON CAPITAL	523.72
BH ENERGY	106.52
BLUEPEAK	206.02
MONTANA DAKOTA	26.82
TOTAL	\$1,001.76

WATER/SEWER FUNDS

AMAZON CAPITAL- Water 419.97, Sewer 127.03	547.00
BH ENERGY	1,903.01
BUTTE ELECTRIC- Treatment Plant 1759.30, Booster Pump 307.90	2,067.20
DANS DUMPSTERS	100.00
MIDCONTINENT TESTING LABS	926.75
MONTANA DAKOTA- Generator	58.78
ONE CALL	14.70
SONSET STATION- PW Fuel	110.65
USA BLUE BOOK	279.00
HEATON DRILLING- Well 4 Pump	61,136.03
MEIERHENRY, SARGENT LLP- Revenue Bond Treatment Plant Upgrade	41,500.00
ADVANCED ENGINEERING- Treatment Plant	4,128.02
TOTAL	\$112,771.14

AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Storm Sewer	1,226.50
USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Laurel Stret Project	3,254.00
EFTPS- Payroll Taxes 05/16/25	5,063.45
TOTAL	\$9,543.95

Action 2025-077

Motion by Davidson, seconded by Cooper, to approve \$3000.00 donation to the Whitewood Chamber of Commerce for business promotion. Roll Call, Davidson yes, Bulat yes, Cooper yes, Huseby recuse, Fitzgerald recuse, Noren yes. Motion carried.

Action 2025-078

Motion by Huseby, seconded by Fitzgerald, to approve \$8570.82 for the Whitewood Library door and sidewalk grant project, with the remaining \$1429.18 in contingency money. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-079

Motion by Cooper, second by Fitzgerald, to not investigate or apply a noise ordinance within the city, let the Police Dept handle these circumstances as they see fit. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-080

Motion by Noren, second by Fitzgerald, to create an employee vehicle policy. Noren and Fitzgerald volunteered to write the policy. Davidson yes, Bulat yes, Cooper no, Huseby yes, Fitzgerald yes, Noren yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-081

Motion by Noren, seconded by Fitzgerald, to approve the \$7,900 quote from Hawkins Water Treatment Group for the treatment plant cells maintenance. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2025-082

Motion by Noren, seconded by Fitzgerald, to approve renewing the following liquor operating agreements. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

- Bullwackers Saloon & Steakhouse, LLC. (Off-Sale Liquor Store)
- Bullwackers Saloon & Steakhouse, LLC (On-Sale Bar/Lounge)
- FMB Enterprises, LLC (On-Sale Bar/Lounge)
- The Hideaway, LLC (On-Sale Bar/Lounge)
- Stern Oil Company, Inc. (Off-Sale Liquor Store)
- Dvorak Convenience Stores, Inc. (Off-Sale Liquor Store)

Attorney Fitzgerald gave an orientation to the new council members and whomever wished to listen in on it.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

MITCHELL U. HARMON
Mayor

Attest:

JESSICA BESTGEN
Assistant Finance Officer

CLAIMS-June 2, 2025

ESTIMATED WAGES –JUNE 2025

MAYOR	550.00
COUNCIL	2,250.00
CITY ATTORNEY	1,000.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR	300.00
CHIEF OF POLICE- Josh Bach	4,345.60
POLICE OFFICER- Anthony Spencer	3,643.20
POLICE OFFICER- Greg Meyer	4,318.40
BUILDING OFFICAL- Jim Smit	1,577.40
WASTE/WATER OPERATOR- DJ Werlinger	3,910.40
WASTE/WATER OPERATOR- Derek Daniels	3,824.00
WASTE/WATER OPERATOR- John Cooper	3,617.60
LIBRARIAN – Deb Terhue	2,306.56
LIBRARY ASST.- Donna Willson	540.00
LIBRARY ASST- Racine Morgan	540.00
LIBRARY ASST.- Olyn Smith	179.16
FINANCE OFFICER – Cory Heckenlaible	4,300.80
FINANCE & PW- Jessica Bestgen	2,571.52
TOTAL	\$39,774.64

GENERAL LEDGER

SD DEPT REVENUE & REGULATION- Garbage Tax	297.05
CITY DEPOSITS - Garza, Glatt, Scott, Wilson, Swanson 100.00 each	500.00
SD RETIREMENT- Employee Retirement	7,682.11
TOTAL	\$8,479.16

GENERAL FUND

WASTE CONNECTIONS- Garbage Collection	4,971.95
A & B BUSINESS - City Hall 255.01, Police 162.51	417.52
ALL NET CONNECTIONS - Microsoft 365 52.50, Serv. Maint 91.00	143.50
AMAZON CAPITAL - Parks 89.98, Hall 240.09, Police 54.77	384.84
AT&T - City cell phones	397.86
RUNNING SUPPLY - Parks	139.96
CHAIN SAW CENTER - Parks	208.98
INTEGRITY ACQUISITION - Pickup payment	1,237.44
JOHNER GRAVEL - Base course	6,394.50
LIGHTING MAINTENANCE - Exit lights	58.52
NAPA AUTO PARTS - Police	84.69
POSTMASTER - Water bill postage	73.00
REPUBLIC NATIONAL - May Liquor	3,830.92
WALMART - Supplies 16.09, Park 22.56	38.65
WELLS FARGO - City Hall 43.42, Go Daddy 435.42, TP 76.90, Parks 107.69, Vision 56.87	720.30
WESTERN STATIONERS - City hall	109.90
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Allocations	3,000.00
TOTAL	\$22,212.53

LIBRARY

ALL NET CONNECTIONS	22.75
AMAZON CAPITAL	42.41
BH LIBRARY CONSORTIUM	7.98
DEB TERHUNE - Supplies	185.57
TOTAL	\$258.71

WATER/SEWER FUNDS

RUNNING SUPPLY - Sewer	69.98
DANR - Drinking and surface waer dues	390.00
MDU - Generator	640.04
POSTMASTER - Water bill postage	426.00
CENTURY LINK - Treatment plant	38.74
DAKOTA PUMP- Lagoons Flow Meter	707.91
SPEARFISH ELECTRIC - Well 4	428.57
TOTAL	\$2,701.24

AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Water Project Loan	4,028.00
USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Trunk Sewer Project	1,057.00
EFTPS- Payroll Taxes 05/30/25	4,828.08
TOTAL	\$9,913.08

To the City of Whitewood,
Lawrence County, South Dakota

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Delaware corporation, having its principal place of business at 400 North Fourth Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501, hereby makes application for a franchise, granting to it the right to construct, maintain and operate within and upon, in and under the streets, alleys and public grounds of your municipality a gas transmission and distribution system to distribute natural or manufactured gas for public and private use in the city of Whitewood, South Dakota. The extent and conditions of such rights and privileges are more fully set forth in the attached copy of a proposed natural gas franchise ordinance.

The Company respectfully requests that you take the necessary steps to grant this franchise.

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.

By Regan Brilz
Regan Brilz
Region Director

STEP BY STEP FRANCHISE PROCEDURE

SOUTH DAKOTA

- Step 1: APPLICATION: File a written application for a franchise by letter from the region manager to the auditor or clerk. The application should be accompanied by a copy of the proposed franchise ordinance and pertinent forms.
- Step 2: FIRST MEETING: The first meeting of the governing body of the municipality should be held for the purpose of giving the title of the franchise its first reading. Before the first meeting the ordinance should be given a number.
- Step 3: SECOND MEETING: The second meeting of the governing board should be held on a regular meeting date of the council or board, with at least five (5) days intervening between the first and second meetings.
- Step 4: PUBLICATION: The ordinance should be published in its entirety once immediately after its passage and approval by the council or board. The minutes of the second meeting should be published in the official newspaper or newspapers of the municipality.
- Step 5: RECORDING THE ORDINANCE: After the ordinance takes effect, the auditor or clerk should record the ordinance along with a certificate (affidavit) of the date of its publication in the Ordinance Book.
- Step 6: ACCEPTANCE: Within thirty (30) days after Company is notified of passage and final approval of this ordinance, Company shall file its written acceptance of the franchise with the clerk or auditor of the municipality.
- Step 7: RECORD: The record of franchise proceedings should be executed.

ACCEPTANCE OF FRANCHISE

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., a corporation, hereby accepts the terms and conditions of that certain Ordinance No. 2005-2 enacted by the governing body of the City of Whitewood, Lawrence County, South Dakota the same being an ordinance granting to said Company, its successors and assigns, a franchise to construct, maintain and operate within and upon, in and under the streets, alleys and public grounds of said city, a gas distribution system for transmitting and distributing natural or manufactured gas, or a mixture of both, for public and private use, which ordinance was duly passed, adopted and approved by the governing body of said city on the 18th day of July, ~~19~~x 2005.

Dated this 27th day of July, ~~19~~x 2005.



(Corporate Seal)

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

By Bruce Insdahl
President & Chief Executive Officer

and

ATTEST:

Douglas W. Schuch
Asst. Secretary

I, the undersigned, the duly elected, qualified and acting
Finance Officer
Auditor/Clerk of the City of Whitewood, State of South Dakota,
do hereby certify that I received the within Acceptance of Franchise
this 27 day of July, ~~19~~x 2005, and on said date
duly filed the same in my office

Jay Burr
Auditor Clerk

Ordinance 2025-01

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, THE FRANCHISE AND RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE WITHIN AND UPON, IN AND UNDER STREETS, ALLEYS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS OF THE CITY OF WHITEWOOD.

A GAS TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM FOR TRANSMITTING AND DISTRIBUTING NATURAL OR MANUFACTURED GAS, OR A MIXTURE OF BOTH, FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE USE.

BE IT ORDAINED

SECTION 1. For convenience, herein, said municipal corporation is designated and referred to as "Municipality" and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. is designated and referred to as "Grantee." Any reference to either includes their respective successors and assigns.

SECTION II. There is hereby granted to Montana-Dakota Utilities Co, a Delaware corporation, its successors and assigns, subject to the limitations herein stated, the right and franchise to occupy and use the streets, alleys and public grounds of the municipality as now, or hereafter constituted, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and operating, within, upon, in and under the same, a gas distribution system for transmitting and distributing natural or manufactured gas, or a mixture of both, for public and private use.

SECTION III. Grantee shall maintain an efficient distribution system for furnishing natural or manufactured gas, or a mixture of both for public and private use at such reasonable rates as may be approved by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota and under such orders, rules or regulations as may be issued by a federal or state agency having jurisdiction thereof.

SECTION IV. This franchise shall not be exclusive and shall not be construed to prevent the Municipality from granting to any other party the right to use the streets, alleys, and public grounds of the Municipality for like purposes.

SECTION V. The Municipality reserves any right it may have, under its police power, or otherwise, to control or regulate the use of said streets, alleys, and public grounds by Grantee. This section shall not affect the right of Grantee to receive compensation for the expenses of changing, removing or relocating its facilities located in private right of way. Further, if at any time said Municipality shall vacate any street, alley or public grounds in which Grantee's facilities are located, an alternate route or private property easement shall be provided to Grantee. Grantee shall not be required to relocate facilities when any street, alley or public grounds in which they are located is vacated for the convenience of abutting property owners or another private party and not as an incident to the public improvement, unless the reasonable cost of such relocation and the loss and expenses resulting therefrom is first paid to Grantee.

SECTION VI. Grantee shall indemnify and save and hold the Municipality harmless from any loss or damage due to the construction, installation, and maintenance of its distribution system, and its use of the streets, alleys, and public grounds of the Municipality; however, Grantee shall not be required to indemnify and save or hold the Municipality harmless from loss or damage to the extent such loss or damage is caused by the acts, omissions, or negligence of the Municipality, its employees, assigns, agents, contractors, or other persons under its direction or control.

SECTION VII. Grantee shall have the right to assign this franchise to any party, or corporation, but all obligations hereunder shall be binding upon its successors and assigns.

SECTION VIII. Within thirty (30) days after Grantee is notified of passage and final approval of this Ordinance, Grantee shall file with the clerk or auditor of the Municipality its written acceptance of this franchise.

SECTION IX. This franchise shall continue and remain in full force and effect for a period of twenty (20) years from the date upon which this ordinance shall become effective as provided by law.

Dated this 16th day of June 2025.

CITY OF WHITEWOOD

By: _____

MITCHELL U. HARMON
Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____

CORY C. HECKENLAIBLE

Finance Officer

(seal)

First Reading 6/02/2025

Second Reading 6/16/2025

LIBRARY

ALL NET CONNECTIONS	75.00
AMAZON CAPITAL	189.99
BH ENERGY	121.00
BLUEPEAK	191.78
MONTANA DAKOTA	29.31
TOTAL	\$607.08

WATER/SEWER FUNDS

ADVANCED ENGINEERING- Treatment Plant	4,229.27
ALL NET CONNECTIONS	56.25
AMAZON CAPITAL	35.98
BH ENERGY	2,130.88
BUTTE ELECTRIC- Treatment Plant 1935.48, Booster Pump 45.30	1,980.78
DAKOTA PUMP- Treatment Plant Blower	16,323.75
DAN'S DUMPSTERS	100.00
MIDCONTINENT TESTING LABS	44.50
MONTANA DAKOTA	73.45
POSTMASTER- Water Bill Postage	401.00
SONSET STATION- PW Fuel	260.27
SOUTHSIDE OIL- PW Fuel	659.96
TOTAL	\$26,296.09

AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Storm Sewer	1,226.50
USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT- Laurel Stret Project	3,254.00
EFTPS- Payroll Taxes 05/17/2024	4,194.66
TOTAL	\$8,675.16

Action 2024-085

Motion by Wiege, seconded by Burke, to suspend sections 5003.1.1 & 5601.2.2 of the International Fire Code from June 10, 2024, to July 5, 2024, to allow the selling of fireworks in City limits. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2024-086

Motion by Wiege, seconded by Burke, to allow fireworks from July 3, 2024, through July 6, 2024, at Memorial Park only, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. It being required that any child 15 years or younger must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, and that everyone must help clean up after the ballfield lights are turned on. In case of extreme fire danger, fireworks will be cancelled. Roll call, all members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action 2024-087

Motion by Davidson, seconded by Noren, to approve closing Meade Street from Laurel to Arthur and Pine Street from Custer to South Street, June 29, 2024, and lifting the open container ordinance for the sections barricaded off during the hours of 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, for the annual car show. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2025-02

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FIREWORKS FOR THE YEAR
2025.**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Whitewood,
Whitewood South Dakota, that

In accordance with Section 131.16 of the City of Whitewood Code of Ordinances,
the use of fireworks for the year 2025 shall be allowed from July __, 2025, till July
__, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 AM.

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Dated this 2nd day of June 2025.

CITY OF WHITEWOOD

Mitchell U. Harmon
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cory Heckenlaible
Finance Officer

Cory Heckenlaible

From: Project Dirty Media Group <projectdirtymediagroup@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 6:41 AM
To: Cory Heckenlaible
Subject: Huseby

To whom it may concern,

In the last week the amount of harassment myself and my family have received has been relentless. I bought my home to build a future for my family in what I thought was a welcoming community. Rumors spread like wildfire and every time I hear another I learn something new about myself. We live in a country where we are supposed to be innocent until proven guilty. Not innocent until someone has the most likes on a social media post. We live in a community that I thought would come together for each other instead it destroys people when they aren't around. So effective immediately I will be resigning from my seat as Alderman Ward 2 for the city of whitewood.

Raymond Huseby

2.510 Common Council - Membership - Terms of Office

The common council consists of the mayor who is elected at large, and two aldermen from each ward, who are elected by the electors of each ward for a term of two years, unless a municipality adopts an ordinance establishing the term of office to be three, four, or five years. (SDCL 9-8-4). A person may be nominated, elected, or appointed as a mayor or as an alderman if the person is a citizen of the United States, a voter of and resident of the municipality, and, if an alderman, a voter of and resident of the ward for which the person is to hold office. (SDCL 9-8-1.1)

2.513 Division into Wards - Redistricting

The law provides that municipalities can determine by ordinance their own wards and election precincts for election purposes. There is no minimum or maximum number of wards required, however, an attorney general's opinion states that aldermen are not to be elected at large. (AG Opinion 84-11) However, the 2022 Legislature passed a law allowing municipalities of the 2nd or 3rd class to choose to elect aldermen to the common council at large, following a majority vote at an election using processes provided in SDCL 9-11-6. (SDCL 9-8-4.1) (See Hdbk., sec. 2.700) When determining the number of inhabitants in wards, the last preceding federal census is the rule of thumb. However, the governing body may, by resolution, authorize the finance officer to determine the number of inhabitants by filing a certificate showing the number of persons registered to vote in each ward. That number multiplied by two shall constitute the number of inhabitants until the next federal census. Municipalities should attempt to make all wards of equal size and must notify the county auditor forty-five days prior to any local election of any boundary changes. In even numbered years, the municipality must notify the county auditor one hundred days prior to the primary election and the general election of any boundary changes. (SDCL 9-13-16; 9-2-7; 12-14-1; 12-14-1.1; See Hdbk., sec. 2.715)

2.515 Vacancies

When a vacancy exists on a municipal governing body, the remaining members shall appoint a replacement to serve until the next annual municipal election or the vacancy may be filled by special election for the remainder of the unexpired term as provided in SDCL 9-13-14.2. In the aldermanic form of municipal government, the appointment must be a person from the same ward of the municipality. If electing a person to fill the remainder of the unexpired term at an annual municipal election, the vacancy shall have occurred prior to the publication required by SDCL 9-13-6. (SDCL 9-13-14.1; See Hdbk., sec. 5.350) When a vacancy exists in the office of mayor, it shall also be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the aldermen or by special election. (SDCL 9-8-2; See Hdbk. Sec. 5.385)

The governing body of any municipality may, by ordinance enacted prior to the vacancy, require that any vacancy on the governing body or in the office of the mayor is to be filled by a special election called for that purpose to be conducted as provided in SDCL 9-13-14 and this section. No such special election may be held less than ninety days before the annual municipal election. The finance officer of the municipality shall publish a notice in the official newspaper of the municipality stating that a vacancy exists, that the vacancy will be filled by special election, the date of the election, and the time and place where nominating petitions may be filed for the office. The notice shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks beginning at least sixty days before the date of the special election. Nominating petitions for the vacancy shall be prepared and filed as provided in SDCL 9-13-7, may not be circulated more than sixty days before the date of the special election, and shall be filed at least thirty days before the date of the special election. A notice of the special election shall be published as provided in SDCL 9-13-13 and 9-13-14. (SDCL 9-13-14.2)

In cases where a member of the governing body is called to serve in active duty, that member may temporarily resign and a temporary replacement may be made. The replacement serves until the original member returns from active duty or until the expiration of the member's term, whichever occurs first. (SDCL 3-4-8)




Outlook

RE: Lead Pipe Questions

From Fagnan, Erin <Erin.Fagnan@state.sd.us>

Date Thu 5/29/2025 8:43 AM

To Jessica Bestgen <Jessica@cityofwhitewood.com>

 1 attachment (3 MB)

Final LCRI Published 10302024.pdf;

Good Morning, Jessica:

The city is required to identify 100% of its service lines, including the customer portion. Should any part of the line remain unknown, the system will be required to send annual public notices to that customer, explaining that their service line is unknown. Additionally, if a system has unknown service lines (either the system-owned side or the publicly owned side) on 11/1/2027, the system will be required to submit a plan to identify all the unknowns by 2037.

Therefore, we developed an online survey tool for water systems that enables customers to self-identify their service lines. While using the tool is optional, identifying the service lines is mandatory. If you have an alternative method for visual verification or tap records, those approaches would be adequate.

Regarding documentation, I have attached the EPA's Lead and Copper Rule Improvement, which outlines the requirements starting in 2027. We are currently operating under the LCRR, which requires the initial inventory to be submitted by 10/16/2024 and mandates annual public notices of service line material.

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Erin



Outlook

Re: Lead Pipe Questions

From Fagnan, Erin <Erin.Fagnan@state.sd.us>

Date Thu 5/29/2025 9:07 AM

To Jessica Bestgen <Jessica@cityofwhitewood.com>

The next requirement in addition to the public notices is the replacement plan- for your case it would consist of a plan to identify all unknowns. The reality is, if a customer refuses to tell you what their service line is and the house was built prior 1988, and you have no tap cards— it is their choice and the line remains "unknown".

However, administratively the burden will be on the city. The city will have to prove in their replacement plan that it does not have access to the service line— think of meters— are Whitewoods meters in the customer's house— if the city doesn't have access, you would have to document 4 attempts each year through 2 separate methods that you attempted to identify the line and the customer refused.

Ultimately, it is the customers choice. However, the city should be prepared to continue to hard copy mail public notices each year until 2037 and onwards and then in 2037 begin documenting 4 attempts to contact the customer.

Between now and then, if the city has any meter replacement projects which allow for the customer portion of the line to be identified, or any other public works project that requires curb stop replacement - the city should use those routine operations as a way to verify/document the customer portion of the service line. In these instances, the customer doesn't need a photo. The City worker or contractor would document what they saw and send that information to you, where you could just update the inventory.



126 Wall St.
Lead, SD 57754
605-920-1135

vti computer sales & services

Estimate

4/27/2025	240

City Of Whitewood

	Reolink nvr Al with person and license plate recontion 8	1		2,499.99
	Reolink Cameras 12mp			
	included			
	wire cate6 and network punch	1		199.99
	sceptor 22in montior	1		99.99
	labor	1		1,000.00
Subtotal				3,799.97
6.2% Tax				0.00
Total				3,799.97
Balance Due				3,799.97

Viehauser Enterprises, LLC DBA Genes
 Tool Shop
 3345 E Colorado Blvd.
 Spearfish, SD 57783

Estimate

Date	Estimate #
4/16/25	14921

Name / Address
City of Whitewood Police Dept. 912 Garfield Street Whitewood, SD 57793 jim@cityofwhitewood.com

			Project
Description	Qty	Cost	Total
Service Call	1	85.00	85.00
Mileage to Whitewood	6	3.00	18.00
Uniview 8 Channel NVR	1	409.98	409.98
4 TB Hard Drive	1	149.98	149.98
8 Megapixel IP Camera	1	459.98	459.98
8 Megapixel IP Camera Color at Night, Active Deterrence Lights and Alarm	1	538.98	538.98
4 Megapixel IP Camera Color at Night, Active Deterrence Lights and Alarm	1	339.98	339.98
Pan Tilt Zoom Camera 4 Megapixel	1	981.98	981.98
Pole Mount for PTZ Camera	1	51.98	51.98
License Plate Recognition Camera	1	1,494.98	1,494.98
20" Monitor	1	149.98	149.98
Wall Mount for Monitor	1	24.98	24.98
Wireless Ethernet Antennas for Power Poles	3	217.98	653.94
Outdoor Nema Box 10x8x4	2	149.98	299.96
POE Switch for Power Poles	2	74.98	149.96
NON POE Switch for Inside Building	1	29.98	29.98
Cat6 Wire 100'	100	0.29	29.00
Misc Supplies	1	50.00	50.00
Labor to Install and Program	12	120.00	1,440.00
		Total	\$7,358.64

Customer Signature _____

**Black Hills Pest Control
P.O. Box 231
Sturgis, South Dakota 57785
(605)347-0092**

Billing Date: August 28, 2024

**To: Whitewood City Office
1025 Meade Street
Whitewood, SD 57793**

**Service Address:
Whitewood
Mosquitoes**

Date serviced: June 27, 2023 July 26 & August 22, 2024

June 27, We sprayed all of the tall grassy areas where mosquitoes rest during the day, wet areas were they breed and also around the park prior to the 4th of July activities. We treated standing water by post office with a larvicide

July 21, We treated all of the standing water with aquicide, a natural mosquito lavicide. We treated all of the tall grass within the city such as natural drainages, the perimeter of the park and around the school and ball field with a high pressure sprayer.

August 22, We sprayed all grassy and rough areas for mosquitoes with a high pressure sprayer.

The bill and the amount of service is based on the state grant money of \$1,994.00

**Thanks,
Ken B**

Total: \$ 1,994.00



427 SOUTH CHAPELLE
C/O 500 EAST CAPITOL
PIERRE, SD 57501-5070
(605) 773-3595

RUSSELL A. OLSON
AUDITOR GENERAL

May 21, 2025

Cory Heckenlaible, Finance Officer
City of Whitewood
1025 Meade St.
Whitewood, SD 57793

We have reviewed and accepted your audit report on the:

City of Whitewood
(For the Year Ended December 31, 2024)

Our review was limited to the report and did not include a review of the working papers.
Our limited review does NOT constitute a pre-issuance review.

It is our understanding that the Black Hills Pioneer is the official newspaper for the City of Whitewood. If this is not the case, please inform me of the name of the current official newspaper.

Please present a copy of this letter to the governing board to indicate our acceptance of the audit report.

Yours very truly,

Russell A. Olson
Auditor General

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cc: Ketel Thorstenson, LLP
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