

RESOLUTION # 989

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BIG TIMBER, DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, an epidemic of the Coronavirus Disease (“COVID-19”) has occurred across the United States;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 a global pandemic that is controllable via precautionary measures to stop the spread of the disease;

WHEREAS, the Sweet Grass County Commissioners passed Resolution 3-17-2020 on March 17, 2020, declaring a Public Health Emergency pursuant to §10-3-402, MCA;

WHEREAS, the City faces an imminent threat to life and public health resulting from COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the City will commit all available resources, and will take all possible action to combat and to alleviate the situation, local resources may not be adequate to cope with the situation; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Big Timber that a state of local disaster emergency be declared indefinitely.

NOW, THEREFORE, AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BIG TIMBER, I HEREBY DECLARE:

Section 1. A state of local disaster emergency pursuant to Section 10-3-402, MCA.

Section 2. This declaration of a state of local disaster emergency

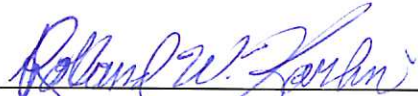
("Declaration") shall activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all local disaster emergency plans including the Sweet Grass County Emergency Operations Plan.

Section 3. Regular meetings of the Big Timber City Council, as required by §1-6-2, Big Timber City Code will be held but only essential legally required actions will be considered until such meetings can be held via electronic means with audio and visual communications.

Section 4. Copies of this Declaration will be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, City of Big Timber, and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

Section 5. The public shall be notified of this Declaration as soon as reasonably feasible through general dissemination to the news media, posting on the city website and social media accounts, or using other means of communication appropriate for informing the general public.

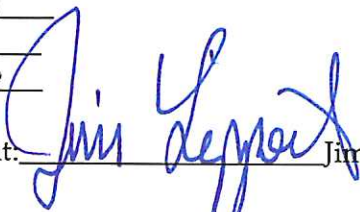
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Big Timber City Council this 18th day of March, 2020.


Rolland Karlin, Mayor

ATTEST:


Tera Ginnaty, Clerk/Treasurer

Councilman Rockeman
Councilman Woehler
Councilman Thomasson
Councilman Ferguson

Approved as to form and content:  Jim Lippert, City Attorney.