

## **RESOLUTION No. 3620**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF RED LODGE, MONTANA TO SET FEES FOR THE OPERATION OF A RECYCLING FACILITY**

**WHEREAS** in Resolution No. 3618 the City of Red Lodge assume responsibility for implementing a recycling program, to begin July 1, 2023, within the financial parameters of a reasonable budget that is successfully passed by City Council, after ample opportunity for community input; and

**WHEREAS** Red Lodge City Council has reviewed the cost of implementing a Recycling program and has developed a proposed budget and plan to fund the Recycling program; and

**WHEREAS** the City is authorized to establish just and equitable rates, fees, and charges for solid waste services, including recycling; and

**WHEREAS**, after significant public input and involvement, and based on the information presented to the Red Lodge City Council, the following rates and fees are just and equitable.

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved by the City Council as follows:

#### **Recycling Fees & Budget:**

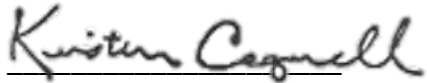
- A. Fees: Red Lodge residents will be charged a fee of \$6.00 per month, to be charged on the monthly water bill. Red Lodge businesses may purchase a membership for \$300.00 per year to use the recycling center. Non-resident users may purchase a membership for \$120.00 per year or pay a \$10.00 drop off fee for each visit to the recycling center. Residents may not opt-out of the fees for the recycling service.
- B. Establish an Account within the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund: The City hereby creates a Recycling Account within the Solid Waste Fund to be used as provided herein and into which recycling fees and charges, including, but not limited to recycling fees and income from sale of waste, shall be deposited.
- C. Annual Budget: The City shall prepare an annual budget for operating the Recycling Facility. The budget shall include amounts necessary to pay the principal of and interest on any debt payable, to pay operating expenses, and to establish replacement and depreciation reserves

as may be appropriate or necessary. The City shall review annually actual recycling expenditures and revenues to determine if the monthly fee is appropriate and sufficient.

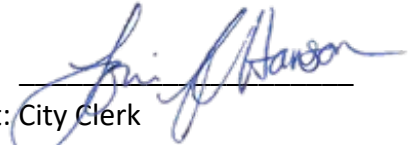
**Care and Use of The Recycling Facility:**

- A. Management: The Public Works Department shall be responsible for the operation, maintenance, capital improvements, and all other functions of the Recycling Facility. The City's Public Works Director shall act as the Recycling Facility Manager unless the Mayor designates another officer otherwise. The City shall employ or contract the appropriate personnel necessary to operate the Recycling Facility.
  
- B. Drop-off of Recyclable Materials and Hours: Materials eligible for recycling are subject to change. Lists of materials accepted at the Recycling Facility shall be kept updated and posted by the City. Recycling Facility users may check the City website for current listings of allowable materials. Materials should be separated and clean, according to instructions provided. Recycling Facility hours of operation shall be listed on the City website. The City will annually review data on recycling center usage to determine if public hours meet the needs of the community.

Passed and approved by the Red Lodge City Council on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.



City of Red Lodge  
Mayor Kristen Cogswell



Attest: City Clerk  
Loni Hanson