273 - RESOLUTION NO. 07 - 17 - 07 - 2007

A RESOLUTION INITIATING A FIRE BAN FOR THE TOWN OF ALPINE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COUNTY AND FOREST SERVICE FIRE BANS.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF ALPINE, WYOMING:

FIRE BAN PROHIBITION

1. Purpose: The Town of Alpine is situated adjacent to national forest lands and the Town itself contains a substantial amount of standing trees. While the County Commissioners of Lincoln County have enacted a "no burn" ordinance, the Town of Alpine needs to be able to act immediately due to the potential combustible location and nature of the Town.

2. Regulation:

- (a) The Mayor is hereby empowered by proclamation to prohibit all open burning and fires within the Town limits including but not limited to bonfires, trash fires, fireworks, and other open flames, or the discharge of any Class A, B and/or C fireworks, with the following exceptions:
 - (i) Charcoal fires within closed grills are permitted.
 - (ii) Use of acetylene cutting torches or electric arc welders are permitted, provided that said torches or welders are used within a cleared area that has at least a ten (10) foot radius.
 - (iii) Use of chainsaws is allowed provided the chainsaws have spark arresters installed and functioning.
 - (iv) Federal, state or local fire or law enforcement officers participating in fire, emergency, and law enforcement activities are exempts from the prohibition.

- (b) This proclamation prohibiting open burning shall only be enacted in the event of prolonged dry conditions where there is extreme fire danger to the Town of Alpine.
- (c) In the event of such proclamation, the same shall be posted in conspicuous places throughout the Town of Alpine.
- 3. Severability: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.
- 4. <u>Conflict</u>: All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed.
 - 5. <u>Effective Date</u>: This resolution shall become effective from and after the date of its passage on July 17, 2007.

VOTE: 4- Yes; 0- No; 0- Abstain; 1-Absent

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Victoria DeCora, Mayor

Kimberlee Jansen, Town Clerk