#### 272 ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE V LAW ENFORCEMENT CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_\_ SECTION \_\_\_\_\_ TO INCLUDE SECTION \_\_\_\_\_, REGULATING PYROTECHNIC DEVICES, RECREATIONAL FIRES WITHIN THE INCORPORATED LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF ALPINE, WYOMING

WHEREAS, the Town of Alpine, Wyoming is located in a semi-rural area where residential structures often found within or close to forested areas or, within or close to areas where combustible materials grow in abundance; and

WHEREAS, the potential for wildfires is greatest between the months of June through October; and

WHEREAS, the Town needs the ability to control recreational fires within the Town of Alpine in order to protect the health and safety of the public.

WHEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF ALPINE, WYOMING IN REGULAR SESSION, DULY ASSEMBLED, THAT SECTION \_\_OF CHAPTER \_\_\_OF TITLE LAW ENFORCEMENT OF THE ALPINE TOWN CODE BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### **SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS**

"Pyrotechnic Device". A pyrotechnic device shall be defined as any explosive device designed to create noise, sparks, smoke, or pyrotechnic effects.

"Recreational Fire". An outdoor fire burning only natural wood and/or charcoal materials where the fuel being burned is not considered an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel are of three (3) feet or less in diameter and two (2) feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.

"Portable Outdoor Fireplace". A portable, outdoor, solid fuel burning fireplace that may be constructed of steel, concrete, clay or other noncombustible material. A portable outdoor fireplace may be open in design, or may be equipped with a small hearth opening and short chimney opening in the top.

### SECTION 2. EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS.

**EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS.** The Town of Alpine may, by Order of the Mayor and Council, prohibit the use of Pyrotechnic Devices, Recreational Fire(s), or

Portable Outdoor Fireplace(s) if it is determined that there is a danger of wildfires at any time of the year.

# SECTION 3. PYROTECHNIC DEVICES

The discharge of pyrotechnic devices shall only be permitted on the twenty -four (24) hours prior to, during, and twenty - four (24) hours subsequent to the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July of each year, or as permitted upon petition to the Governing Body of the Town of Alpine for other events or occasions.

## SECTION 4. RECREATIONAL FIRES

Recreational Fires must be constantly attended. Fire areas must have water, fire extinguishers, dirt, sand, water barrels, garden hose or other on-site fire extinguishing equipment available for the purpose of extinguishing the fire upon cessation of use, or in the event of excess flame.

Fires must be a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from all combustibles (buildings, cars, vegetation, etc.)

Fires must be extinguished in the event of gusty or strong winds.

# SECTION 5. PORTABLE OUTDOOR FIREPLACES

Portable Outdoor Fireplaces must be used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions shall not be operated within fifteen (15) feet of a structure or combustible material.

Portable Outdoor Fireplaces must be constantly attended. Fire areas must have water, fire extinguishers, dirt, sand, water barrels, garden hose or other on-site fire extinguishing equipment available for the purpose of extinguishing the fire upon cessation of use, or in the event of excess flame.

Fires must be extinguished in the event of gusty or strong winds.

## SECTION 6. PENALTIES

Any person found guilty of a violation of any section of the chapter shall be subject to a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per occurrence.

## SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

THIS ORDINANCE shall become effective upon third and final reading.

**SECTION 8:** This ordinance passed and approved on the following dates:

Passed First Reading this 18th day of February 2020

VOTE: <u>5</u> YES, <u>0</u> NO, <u>0</u> ABSTAIN, <u>0</u> ABSENT

Passed Second Reading this 17th day of March 2020

VOTE: <u>5</u> YES, <u>0</u> NO, <u>0</u> ABSTAIN, <u>0</u> ABSENT

Passed on Third and Final Reading this 19th day of May 2020

VOTE: <u>5</u> YES, <u>0</u> NO, <u>0</u> ABSTAIN, <u>0</u> ABSENT

FOR THE GOVERNING BODY

W. Kennis Lutz, Mavor

ATTEST:

Sharon L. Backus, Clerk / Treasurer

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### **ATTESTATION OF THE TOWN CLERK**

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STATE OF WYOMING COUNTY OF LINCOLN TOWN OF ALPINE

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Sharon L. Backus, Clerk/Treasurer

I hereby certify that the forgoing 272 Ordinance No. 2020-01 shall be duly posted for ten (10) days in the Town Office.

I further certify that the foregoing Ordinance will be posted on the Town website in final form, upon its passing and approved by the Town Council as soon as is practicable.

I further certify that the forgoing Ordinance was duly recorded in the BOOK OF OPPUMANCES VI, TOWN OF ALPINE; LINCOLN COUNTY, WYOMING.

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