## RESOLUTION NO. 26

A RESOLUTION SPECIFYING WATER RATE AND WATER REGULATION MODIFICATIONS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE AT A SPECIFIC DATE UPON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION APPROVAL: AND DIRECTING APPLICATION TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL THEREOF.

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WHEREAS, a water rate study prepared for and accepted by the Town of Stevensville, Montana, projects a need for upgrading the water supply system and storage facilities, for the provision of water to the inhabitants of the Town of Stevensville, Montana; and,

WHEREAS, a grant application to the Economic Development Administration for an 80% grant for the upgrating of the water supply system and storage facalities, has been made; and,

WHEREAS, the rates and charges in effect at the present time are not adequate to provide revenues with which to accomplish the 20% matching funds for the upgrading of the water system and the increased cost of operation of said utilities; and,

WHEREAS, the provision of said upgrading of the water system is essential to the immediate preservation of the public's health; and provision therefore cannot be undertaken until the Town has in effect rates, charges and regulations adequate to assure the funding thereof; that such rates, charges and regulations must, before taking effect, be approved by the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana under the previsions of 70-113, 1947 Revised Codes of Montana, as last amended; that budgetary requirements respecting commencement of the upgrading of said facilities contemplate such rates, charges and regulations becoming effective as of May 1, 1978; that the time necessary to enable the Public Service Commission to comply with the law in respect of noticing rate and regulation modification applications for hearing, hearing the same and entering its findings, thereon, warrant deeming the circumstances hereinabove set forth comprise an, emergency, and this resolution be deemed an emergency measure, to enable the Town to proceed as expeditiously as possible to accomplish the objectives hereinabove recited;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STEVENSVILLE, MONTANA:

1. That, the schedule of rates, charges and regulations proposed in Exhibit A annexed hereto be adopted by the Town Council

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of the Town of Stevensville and published as the rates, charges and regulations governing the operation of the Water Utility of the Town of Stevensville, Montana, effective May 1, 1978, unless extended.

- l. The Mayor and Clerk of the Town are authorized and directed to apply to the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana for approval of the rates, charges and regulations set forth in Exhibit A of this resolution. The Mayor and all other officials, employees and representatives of the Town of Stevensville are authorized and directed to do all things necessary or convenient to accomplishing the objectives of this resolution.
- 3. That the rates, charges and regulations set forth in Exhibit A hereof shall not become effective in any event until the Public Service Cimmission of the State of Montana has finally approved the same pursuant to law.

PASSED by affirmative vote of the entire Town Council of tje Town of Stevensville, Montana on this 3rd day of April 1978, as an emergency resolution effective upon approval of the Public Service Commission of Montana.

Mayor /

ATTEST:

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