without first ascertaining from the Town Clerk the amount of any taxes due and payable under this Code, and if there be any such taxes due, owing and unpaid, it shall be the duty of such officer to first pay the amount of the taxes out of the proceeds of such sale before making payment of any monies to any judgment creditor or other claimants of whatsoever kind or nature, except the costs of the proceedings and other preexisting tax liens as above provided.

XV. Hearings, subpoenas, and witness fees

- 1. Hearings before the Town Clerk pursuant to provisions in this Code shall be held in a manner that provides due process of law. Any subpoena issued pursuant to this Code may be enforced by the Norwood Municipal Judge pursuant to Section 13-10-112(2), C.R.S. The fees of witnesses for attendance at hearings shall be the same as the fees of witnesses before the district court, such fees to be paid when the witness is excused from further attendance. When the witness is subpoenaed at the instance of the Town Clerk, such fees shall be paid in the same manner as other expenses under the terms of this Code, and when a witness is subpoenaed at the instance of any party to any such proceeding, the Town Clerk may require that the cost of service of the subpoena and the fee of the witness be borne by the party at whose instance the witness is summoned. In such case, the Town Clerk, at her discretion, may require a deposit to cover the cost of such service and witness fees. A subpoena issued as aforesaid shall be served in the same manner as a subpoena issued out of a court of record.
- 2. The Norwood Municipal Judge, upon the application of the Town Clerk, may compel the attendance of witnesses, the production of books, papers, records or memoranda, and the giving of testimony before the Town Clerk or any duly authorized hearing officers, by an action for contempt, or otherwise, in the same manner as production of evidence may be compelled before the court.

XVII. Depositions

The Town Clerk or any party in an investigation or hearing before the Town Clerk may cause the deposition of witnesses residing within or without the State to be taken in the manner prescribed by law for like depositions in civil actions in courts of this State and to that end compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, records or memoranda.

XVIII. Statute of limitations

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the taxes for any period, together with interest thereon and penalties with respect thereto, imposed by this Code shall not be assessed, nor shall notice of lien be filed, or distraint warrant be issued, or suit for collection be instituted, or any other action to collect the same be commenced, more than three (3) years after the date on which the tax was or is payable, nor shall any lien continue after such period, except for taxes assessed before the expiration of such three (3) year period when the notice of lien with respect to which has been filed prior to the expiration of such period.
- 2. In case of a false or fraudulent return with intent to evade taxation, the tax, together with interest and penalties thereon, may be assessed, or proceedings for the collection of such taxes may be commenced at any time.
- 3. Before the expiration of such period of limitation, the taxpayer and the Town Clerk may agree in writing to an extension thereof, and the period so agreed on may be extended by subsequent agreements in writing.

XIX. Exemption from revenue limits

In accordance with the approval of the registered electors voting at the April 7, 2020 election, the revenues derived from the tax imposed by this Chapter shall be collected and spent as a voter approved revenue change, notwithstanding any revenue or expenditure limitations contained in Article X, Section 20, of the Colorado Constitution.