

DEER LODGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2020

Members Present: Ron Mjelde, Tom Curran, Dan Sager, David Byers, Lewis Smith, Jack Eldredge, Charlie Brand, Rob Kersch

Members Absent:

Others Present: Jeremiah Maulding, Barry Damschen and Donita Anderson

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 2nd, 2020 at 5:00 pm at the Community Center

Meeting Agenda

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Chairman Ron Mjelde at 5:10 p.m. with the meeting being held at the Community Center.

Adopt Minutes: Dan Sager made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 7th, 2020 meeting and the motion was seconded by Charlie Brand. All voted in favor. **Motion passed.**

Barry Damschen Report: Barry indicated that the landfill is looking better. Jeremiah is working on the litter. Class IV worked on, packed and looking good. Digging on Class IV for dirt for one more year. Operations looking good. Barry reviewed a diagram indicating a new entry way to the landfill. He handed out a corrected Table 1 Master Plan update design. He would like to see the garbage trucks run over the scales more. Barry had Dan Sager update the board on the grant money. We did not get the \$50,000.00 grant we applied for. TSEP funds to apply for. Do have authorized legislative \$500,000.00 grant that is a 'wait and see' factor. Barry felt that there could be a possibility of being able to take the Round House contaminated waste with a liner. Barry talked of the test holes needed and felt that Jeremiah Maulding could dig them for the soil samples.

Landfill Manager's Report & Equipment Report: Jeremiah Maulding reported that Britni Evans has serious medical issues that required major surgery and was in ICU at the hospital and will be out of work for about eight weeks. He also asked about sick time being donated to her from other county employees and how that can work to help her recover adequately. Due to temporarily losing an equipment operator Jeremiah indicated he may need some help. He said he will see how things go with Lem Ohrtman, Mark Burnett and himself. Charlie Brand offered to help out as well. Jeremiah asked about having a young kid to fill the days that Lem is not there. Rob Kersch felt that a High School Kid would work better.

Jeremiah reported that the yellow Loader IT24 is not worth the time to try to fix, said it will not go into gear. He said the new equipment is working well. The Dozer is still having starter problems and the radiator is still leaking. After discussion Lewis Smith moved to fix the radiator at \$1,000.00 and the starter at \$200.00. Charlie Brand seconded it and all agreed. **Motion passed.**

Jack Eldredge set up the green truck with an L-shaped fuel tank and pump for fueling the equipment. Jeremiah indicated it works well that way. Jack offered to sell the fuel tank for \$375.00 and the pump for \$50.00, totaling \$425.00. All agreed.

Continuing Business: There was talk about the County Equipment Auction and Dan Sager said possibly around June.

There was discussion about fencing and Ron Mjelde reported he got quotes from Matt Hochstetler of Sunrise Fencing. For new posts it would be \$9.00/post. Charlie Brand said he had talked with Mike

Smith. Dan Sager mentioned that Jim Evans does fencing as well. Jack Eldredge said he knows where they could get pallets for fencing for free and indicated they would need to be hauled in.

The radios that were offered by the Garrison Fire Department for the landfill to use have been having communication issues. Ron Mjelde offered to look into it and will take a couple of his radios to the landfill to try and figure out why the other ones will not work.

New Business: Budget for 2020-2021. There was discussion on paying more attention to this year's budget due to the landfill expansion and Barry Damschen's fees as well as the equipment repair and maintenance. Ron Mjelde requested a committee to review and work on the budget to present to the commissioners for the fiscal year. Committee members will be Dan Sager, Ron Mjelde and Lewis Smith with Lewis being chairman of the committee.

Financial Report: Reviewed financials and approved.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm. The next meeting will be June 2, 2020, at the Community Center.

Donita Anderson, Secretary