

DEER LODGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2021

Members Present: Jack Eldredge, Lewis Smith, Tom Curran, Ron Mjelde
Anthony Savalla, and Charlie Brand

Members Absent: Dan Sager, Jeremiah Maulding

Others Present: Ole Berg, Rory Trimbo-FWP, and Donita Anderson

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 2, 2021 at 5:00 pm at the Community Center

Meeting Agenda

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by board Chairman Ron Mjelde at 5:15 p.m. with the meeting being held at the Community Center.

Ole Berg was introduced and he stood and talked regarding the impact of the plastic bags that are blowing past the boundaries of the landfill and onto his property as well as neighboring landowners' property. He talked of the years his father worked at the landfill in the 1960's and 1970's and never had this issue of plastic bags everywhere and maintained a well-kept landfill. He stated that there are 'acres and acres of exposed garbage. This conversation became quite confrontational between Ole and some board members. It was also indicated that this area has become increasingly windier in the past five, or so, years than it was back in the 1960's and 1970's. It was indicated that there are methods that the landfill is doing to try to hold as much of the loose bags within the dumping site but when the direction of the wind changes there tends to be no control of the blowing bags. There was talk about getting a Scrapper to the landfill to help reduce the garbage from littering neighboring properties. Ron Mjelde was texting Ed McCarthy of Jordan Construction to see if they had one but they did not and Ed would check around and get back to Ron.

Adopt Minutes: Lewis Smith indicated that the May 4th meeting minutes listed his name twice under members present. Tom Curran made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 4th, 2021 meeting and the motion was seconded by Jack Eldredge. All voted in favor. **Motion passed.**

Landfill Manager's Report & Equipment Report: Jeremiah reported that everything was going good. He had to replace an injector line in the loader. The Compactor is running good. He asked about getting a newer side-by-side but it was felt the truck could work for getting around.

Continuing Business: It was discussed if a prison crew could do some trash picking along the fence lines.

Ron discussed with the board of when someone pulls up to the shop with a load that there is a sign indicating 'Men Working' and there is no one to check in the loads coming into the landfill. He felt that was an area that needed attention. It was indicated that the fan on the furnace in the shop was not working adequately and that it needed to be fixed.

There was continued discussion on more frequent compacting to alleviate paper problems, possibly more barriers was suggested.

New Business: Rory Trimbo, from Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Grizzly Specialist, was introduced to the board and he discussed that he would like to continue to have cow carcasses hauled to the dump since Blackfoot Challenge and Granite County Conservation District run their program January through May and have a driver (Dan Massey) pick up these carcasses in Powell and Granite County and deliver

them to the landfill. Rory indicated that continued removal of these carcasses can help reduce grizzly bear confrontations to the property owners. FWP will be billed for the carcasses that are delivered by Rory Trimbo.

Tom Curran approached the board about a recorder for meetings. He felt it would help to be able to record and replay the meeting, if needed, for the minutes. After discussion Tom moved to look into a recorder to help with minutes, Charlie Brand seconded the motion. All Agreed. **Motion passed.**

Purchases for the month were reviewed.

Financial Report: The financials were reviewed.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Donita Anderson, Secretary