

## DEER LODGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT

### Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2021

**Members Present:** Jack Eldredge, Charles Brand, Lewis Smith, Ron Mjelde, Dan Sager, Anthony Savalla

**Members Absent:** Rod Simpson

**Others Present:** Jeremiah Maulding and Donita Anderson

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, February 1, 2022 @ 5:00 pm at the Community Center

### Meeting Agenda

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Chairman Ron Mjelde at 5:00 p.m. with the meeting being held at the Community Center.

**Adopt Minutes:** Barry Damschen indicated that in his report in the November 9<sup>th</sup> 2021 minutes where it stated that 'Mary was unhappy with the unloading of the Class II garbage', he asked that it be corrected to read, 'She showed the pictures to Barry and he discussed the operation with Ron Mjelde. Barry and Ron agreed that the working face needs to be shorter and narrowed and soil should be stockpiled closer to the working face'. After the clarification was noted Dan Sager made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting and Jack Eldredge seconded the minutes as amended. All voted in favor. **Motion passed.**

**Barry Damschen Report:** Barry reported that things look good at the landfill. Class IV looked better as it needed some attention and he felt Jeremiah has handled it. Barry indicated that he is impressed with Steve Turk of Butte who bundled the metal pile, loaded it and hauled it to Butte, and Freon removal is working well. A call to Morris & Merele for dry beds, they surveyed the area and now it is in design process. He reported that the sludge process is at a steady flow. In looking into the alternative for spray glue versus dirt, he felt using less dirt will be cheaper than the spray. He reported that he submitted plans to DEQ in mid-October. Barry will contact DEQ to see where they are at with the review. The board is to notify Barry when DEQ contacts the county. Barry indicated there was a complaint about garbage blowing onto neighboring land owners properties. Tim Stepp of DEQ notified and communicated with Jeremiah and said things look fine. Barry suggested using the 3-screens more. Jeremiah has been monitoring the wind speed as that is a huge factor with wind-blown garbage.

**Landfill Manager's Report & Equipment Report:** Jeremiah reported that he was doing band-aid work on the equipment, said that break downs are continual. He indicated that Ike Lott would be working on the Compactor. Jeremiah put guards on the Dozer. High wind days have been more frequent and the landfill has had to shut down due to the winds. Jeremiah was asked if he could call the Clerk and Records office when he does shut down so that they can explain to the people who call their office and ask why the landfill is not open.

**Continuing Business:** PRDD rates will change to \$146.00 for a 40 yard container and \$73.00 for the 20 yard container. It was confirmed that the check-in person is in place with Alisha Champine at full time. Anthony Savalla talked about the point of sale systems he had been looking into. The Square System card reader would charge .10 cents per card run and a percentage. The E-Hopper and Clover integrate with printers for receipts. He indicated this is something to think about.

The By-Laws need to be reviewed for possible updating. Lewis Smith, Anthony Savalla and Donita Anderson will review them and present any updates at the February 2022 meeting. Ron Mjelde mentioned to the board that a new Chairman should be reviewed yearly or bi-yearly and to implement

that with the by-laws. He also indicated that Anthony Savalla and Cameron Gill have shown interest to be on the board.

**New Business:** Dan Sager mentioned grant possibilities with a solid waste management grant program from the USDA.

**Financial Report:** Reviewed and discussed financials.

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

**Signed Donita Anderson - Secretary**