

# DEER LODGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT

## Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2022

*Members Present:* Jack Eldredge, Charlie Brand, Rob Kersch, Cameron Gill, Ron Mjelde, Dan Sager, Lewis Smith

*Members Absent:* Anthony Savalla, Jeremiah Maulding

*Others Present:* Donita Anderson

*Next meeting:* Tuesday, September 6, 2022 @ 5:00 pm at the Community Center

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### Meeting Agenda

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by board chairman Ron Mjelde at 5:10 p.m. with the meeting being held at the Powell County Courthouse Conference Room.

**Adopt Minutes:** It was noted that the June 7<sup>th</sup> minutes quoted \$125,000 for a Case Loader W14 that is at the State Surplus was incorrectly stated. The correct sale price quoted is \$12,500.00. With this correction noted Cameron Gill made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting and Charlie Brand seconded the motion. All voted in favor. **Motion passed.**

**Landfill Manager's Report & Equipment Report:** Jeremiah Maulding was not at the meeting as he had tested positive for COVID-19. Ron Mjelde reported what was relayed to him by Barry Damschen that the landfill is looking good. Ron reported that two new/used tires were purchased for the Loader at \$3,800.00 each.

**Continuing Business:** With the absence of Anthony Savalla there was no update on the Square system for credit/debit cards.

The By-Laws will be reviewed, once again, at the August meeting to hopefully be finalized and adopted.

Lewis Smith indicated a need for a security system at the landfill due to theft, a recent fight at the landfill, etc. Ron Mjelde reviewed the information he had received from John Snell regarding security cameras and talked about three interior and three exterior cameras at the landfill but he did want to check with Mark Hathaway, of Inferno Internet, and get a price quote from him. After discussion Dan Sager moved to implement a security system at the landfill and Cameron Gill seconded the motion. All voted in favor. **Motion Passed.**

It was noted that there are Freon classes online and discussed if all employees should get the certification. The cost for the certification, equipment with six tanks for Freon removal would run about \$1,500.00. After discussion Lewis Smith made a motion to move forward with the certifications and purchase the equipment for Freon removal at the landfill, Charlie Brand seconded the motion. All voted in favor. **Motion Passed.**

**New Business:** Lewis Smith reported that he visited with the Commissioners to gain a better understanding of the finances and learned that after each fiscal year any excess funds remaining should be moved. Budgeted money versus money to be moved. It was also reported that the landfill received \$300,000.00 in ARPA Funds per the Commissioners. It was discussed that \$100,000.00 would go towards the lease payment for the new Compactor, \$150,000.00 would go to outlay for equipment and \$50,000.00 would go into increasing the R&M in the budget.

Lewis Smith reported on the fire that occurred at the landfill that required assistance from the Rural Fire Dept. and Law Enforcement. Rob Kersch reported on a Facebook page that was posted regarding derogatory comments towards the Fire Dept. and Law Enforcement when the fire occurred. It was noted that a discussion on that matter is needed. Dan Sager suggested a 'thank you' acknowledgement be sent to the Fire Department. Cameron Gill inquired if there was a protocol for emergencies in situations like this, a binder with contact information and emergency numbers in the case that Jeremiah was not present at the landfill.

**Financial Report:** The financials were reviewed.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

**Ron Mjelde, Board Chairman**

**Donita Anderson, Secretary**