

# DEER LODGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT

## Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2023

*Members Present:* Rob Kersch, Jack Eldredge, Lewis Smith, Ron Mjelde, Paul Thompson, Dan Sager,

*Members Absent:* Charlie Brand, Anthony Savalla

*Others Present:* Dale Perkins, Barry Damschen

*Next meeting:* Tuesday, October 3, 2023 @ 5:02 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 Community Center.

**Adopt Minutes:** Jack Eldredge made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 1, 2023, meeting and Paul Thompson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. **Motion passed.**

**Barry Damschen Report:** Methane Monitoring-Looks good with no major problems. The landowner on the connecting property line will be putting cows in next year so the fence will have to go back up. To be surveyed, fence south boundary and tie it to the existing fence. The cost of this to be \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00. For all of it, \$50,000.00. Discussing electric or get bids for South line.

Two loads of sludge that were taken to the drying beds need to be spread better. Class II for the next site, license status and Seismic Analysis (\$5K or \$10K) should know within a month. Barry needs to analyze leachate levels and how to handle it. Discussion on life expectancy, population trends. Update post-closure plan for existing. The asbestos plan will hopefully be ready within one month. DEQ will need to do an Environmental Assessment, this along with a 90-day public comment period, then a response. It cannot be denied without a valid reason. DEQ is getting re-staffed and that should help. The Roundhouse cleanup site should begin in the Spring and that will go to Butte.

**Landfill Manager's Report:** Dale Perkins reported they were testing on top of the hill for the Roundhouse fill, about 1,000 yards as well as 300 yards for Arrow Stone Park. One of the employees was injured. He fell off of the truck. He did have an MRI done and is on light duty. He has no range of motion in his shoulder. Dale indicated that the cameras are back up and running-110 RN. Need to grade road as well as work on drain-field for the septic.

**Equipment Report:** Bobcat was returned with a broken rear window and was taken back to Missoula. The 966 at the Prison, the driveline broke and hit the tranny.

**Continuing Business:** Billy Fisher with Grizzly Disposal and Lucas Johnson of L&L Disposal attended the meeting to discuss increasing the garbage volume in the Winter to avoid McDonald Pass. They are currently providing half our garbage. Discussed whether taking construction & debris would help, but not likely cost-wise. Option to come here with C&D when the pass is unsafe driving conditions. After discussion it was moved by Lewis Smith to accept 30,000 tons at \$50.00/ton for two years and this was seconded by Paul Thompson. All voted in favor. **Motion Passed.** Lewis will work on the contract.

**Financial Report:** Financials were reviewed and it was moved by Jack Eldredge to accept the financials and this was seconded by Paul Thompson. Motion passed.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was moved to adjourn.

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**Ron Mjelde, Board Chairman**

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**Donita Anderson, Secretary**