Valley County Refuse District #1 Board Meeting Valley County Landfill April 12, 2022 – 10:00 am

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Paul Tweten, Mary Armstrong, John Fahlgren

MEMBERS ABSENT:

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Darcia Schindler – Administrative Assistant, Brian Austin – Refuse District Manager, Rocky Thompson – T&R Trucking, Mike Bain – Valley County Technician

Chairman Paul Tweten called the meeting to order.

Chairman Tweten asked for public comment.

The March 8, 2022, meeting minutes and March/April 2022 claims were reviewed.

Mary Armstrong moved to approve March 8, 2022, minutes, and March/April claims. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

# **Finance Report**

Unrestricted Cash as of 4/2022 - \$513,043.16 Accounts Payable as of 4/2022 - \$29,285.36 Accounts Receivables as of 4/2022 - \$15,998.33

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion was held of the Fort Peck Tribal Agreement for assessments on Tribal residents and businesses. The Fort Peck Tribal Council does not like the maintenance wording in the agreement. Administrative Assistant, Darcia Schindler emailed the agreement to Valley County Attorney, Dylan Jensen to look over.

Mary Armstrong moved to send a revised agreement, taking out maintenance. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the contract for Phillips County and Town of Jordan. Contracts are for three years ending June 30, 2022. Both contracts read the same.

Mary Armstrong moved to increase tonnage rate an extra \$2.50 for this year and using CPI from MACO's calendar year from prior year for inflation. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

All out of county will be \$44.50 starting July 1, 2022.

**END OF NEW BUSINESS** 

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion was held on assessments. John Fahlgren stated he sent questions to MACO about other landfills. See attached data Mr. Fahlgren received from MACO.

**END OF OLD BUSINESS** 

## REFUSE DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT - -

- \*\* Has been blowing a lot, picking up paper.
- \*\* Moving dirt and stockpiling.
- \*\* Purchased metal for new portable fences. Metal has gone through the roof.
- \*\* Jim Wilson will start April 18, 2022.

#### T&R REPORT - -

- Has been very busy.
- Has been no big issues with container sites.

**End of Report** 

## OTHER BUSINESS

Technician Mike Bain informed the Refuse Board about the electrical problems that's going on at the landfill. Landfill has been through five computers in five years because of fluctuations in the electricity. Mr. Bain explained having a UPS backup power system would help with this. Mr. Bain suggested an Eaton 9155 UPS backup power system for around \$11,000.00 and then later to purchase a generator.

Mary Armstrong moved to purchase a UPS backup power system up to \$15,000.00. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried. Discussion was also held on the internet service at the landfill not being very good. It was decided to get a quote for fiber optics from Nemont Telephone.

Chairman Tweten asked for public comment.

Mary Armstrong moved to adjourn the meeting. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 10:45 AM

Paul Tweten, Chairman Darcia Schindler, Secretary Valley County Refuse District #1

Next meeting will be April 19, 2022, 10:00 AM

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