

Valley County Refuse District #1
Board Meeting – Valley County Landfill
Valley County Landfill
June 15, 2021 – 5:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Fahlgren, Mary Armstrong, Paul Tweten

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Darcia Schindler – Secretary, Brian Austin – Refuse District Manager, and Rocky Thompson – T&R Trucking

Chairman Paul Tweten called the meeting to order.

Chairman Tweten asked for public comment.

The May 10, 2021, special meeting minutes were reviewed.

John Fahlgren moved to approve the May 10, 2021, special meeting minutes. Mary Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The May 26, 2021, special meeting minutes were reviewed.

Mary Armstrong moved to approve the May 26, 2021, special meeting minutes. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The June 7, 2021, special meeting minutes were reviewed.

John Fahlgren moved to approve the June 7, 2021, special meeting minutes. Mary Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The May 18, 2021, meeting minutes were reviewed.

John Fahlgren moved to approve the May 18, 2021, minutes. Mary Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed for May/June 2021.

John Fahlgren moved to approve the claims for May/June 2021. Mary Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Finance Report

Unrestricted Cash as of 6/2021	- \$564,377.85
Accounts Payable as of 6/2021	- \$86,237.77
Accounts Receivables as of 6/2021	- \$24,754.80

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion was held on roll-off container hauling bid. There was only one bid opened on May 26, 2021, from T&R Trucking, Inc. The bid was rejected by the Commissioners. The next bid is to be opened on June 22, 2021, at 10:00 AM in the commissioner's office. There are two bids, one for two years and one for five years. Mr. Thompson from T&R Trucking, Inc. asked the Refuse Board if they planned on having the county do the roll-off container hauling themselves. Refuse Board stated it depended on what the bid came in at.

Discussion was held on the fiscal year 2021/2022 budget and finances. Refuse District Manager Brian Austin and Secretary Schindler showed a preliminary budget to the Refuse Board. It was decided to add a line item for the grinding of tires under expenditure and a line item for Frazer/Oswego Assessment and Charges under revenue. Some figures were changed under expenditure. Loans were discussed. There are two loans on the road. These loans will be done in the fiscal year 2021/2022. One loan for a scraper. This loan will be done fiscal year 2025/2026. One loan for a compactor. This loan will be done fiscal year 2021/2022. One loan for a front wheel loader. This loan will be done fiscal year 2023/2024.

Mary Armstrong moved to accept the finances. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on a CIP plan from Barry Damschen Consulting LLC. Mr. Damschen did not have the report ready at meeting time. He will have it ready for the next meeting in July.

Discussion was held on the investment account for Closure/Post Closure. There is a yearly payment for roughly \$17,000.00. The interest has covered this payment since 2009. The yearly payment this fiscal year brings the account to -2,982.23. In the past year's funds have been transferred from the regular account into the investment account.

Mary Armstrong moved to transfer \$50,000.00 into the investment account. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

END OF NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion was held on assessments. Refuse Board has been going over the report Barry Damschen's Consulting on a new assessment system. More work needs to be done and questions to be answered before a decision can be made. Mary Armstrong stated the MCA 75-10-221 does not bind the Corps of Engineer's to pay T&R Trucking for the assessment. The commissioners will talk to the Corps of Engineers about a tax bill coming from the county.

END OF OLD BUSINESS

REFUSE DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT - -

- ** Mowing, cleaning, moving dirt.
- ** Pacific was here and crushed the metal pile.
- ** August and Brian did HAZWOPER training.
- ** Road works is being done.
- ** Would like to fill the fuel tanker before fuel goes up.

T&R REPORT - -

- Has been very busy.
- Lots of clean up going on.
- The three worse sites for messes are; Fort Peck, Nashua, Hinsdale.

End of Report

OTHER BUSINESS

Refuse Manager Brian Austin asked the Refuse Board for a raise for Secretary Schindler. There was a lengthy discussion about communications issues with Refuse Manager Brian Austin and Secretary Darcia Schindler with the commissioners. It was decided the Refuse Board would need to look things over before giving Secretary Schindler a raise.

Mary Armstrong tabled the raise for Secretary Schindler. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Tweten asked for public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned 7:30 PM

Paul Tweten, Chairman

Darcia Schindler, Secretary
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Next meeting will be July 20, 2021, 5:00 PM