Valley County Refuse District #1 Board Meeting – Community Room October 19, 2021 – 5:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Tweten, John Fahlgren, Mary Armstrong

MEMBERS ABSENT:

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Darcia Schindler – Administrative Assistant, Brian Austin – Refuse District Manager,

Chairman Paul Tweten called the meeting to order.

Chairman Tweten asked for public comment.

The September 21, 2021, meeting minutes and September/October 2021 claims were reviewed. John Fahlgren questioned the claims for meals. Brian Austin explained he bought lunch for interview panel of four and employees.

Mary Armstrong moved to approve the September 2021, minutes and September/October 2021, claims. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Finance Report**

Unrestricted Cash as of 10/2021	- \$369,902.92
Accounts Payable as of 10/2021	- \$61,320.28
Accounts Receivables as of 10/2021	- \$20,707.75

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### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion was held on the interview held on October 12, 2021. There were 8 applications received. Mitch Young was hired as the new operator and will start around November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Refuse Manager Brian Austin informed the Refuse Board the tire shredder is here from Westate in Billings. The cost of the tire shredder is \$30,000. All tires will be shredded that can be. The large tires with steel are to large for this particular shredder.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion was held on the refuse assessment.

## END OF OLD BUSINESS

#### **REFUSE DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT - -**

- \*\* Moving dirt, getting ready for winter
- \*\* Working on shredding tires.
- \*\* Have a broken belt on compactor. Part is on the way.
- \*\* Frazer container site is a huge mess again. Have been talking to Tina Magnun and Melanie Cole-Blount who are doing a clean up on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

## T&R REPORT - -

• Everything is running normal.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Discussion was held on the Frazer site being very dirty. Mr. Austin has been trying to partner with Tribal Council and residents of Frazer. He has been working with Tina Magnun from A&S Tribal and the superintendent of Frazer School Melanie Cole-Blount. Ms. Cole-Blount stated getting info out to the children and teaching them seems to work quite well. Valley County Refuse District #1 has offered a coloring contest to grades K-6 and a drawing contest for 7-12. There will be a prize for both of a backpack containing a water bottle, earbuds, pens and pencils. Chairman Tweten asked for public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned 5:50 PM

Paul Tweten, ChairmanDarcia Schindler, SecretaryValley County Refuse District #1

Next meeting will be November 16, 2021, 5:00 PM

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