

Valley County Refuse District #1
Board Meeting
Valley County Landfill
August 16, 2022 – 4:00 pm

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

Chairman Paul Tweten called the meeting to order.

Chairman Tweten asked for public comment.

The June 21, 2022, meeting minutes and June/July/August 2022 claims were reviewed.

John Fahlgren moved to approve June 21, 2022, minutes, and June/July/August claims with corrections. Mary Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Finance Report

Unrestricted Cash as of 8/2022	- \$662,393.41
Accounts Payable as of 8/2022	- \$87,229.28
Accounts Receivables as of 8/2022	- \$29,744.63

NEW BUSINESS:

END OF NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion was held the contracts for Phillips County and Town of Jordan. Administrative Assistant, Darcia Schindler received both contracts back signed and notarized.

Discussion was held on assessments. Administrative Assistant, Darcia Schindler had updated the assessment for the fiscal year 21/22 on commercials. Ms. Schindler had given the updates to Treasurer, Brenda Anderson. Mary Armstrong mentioned the DOR has a new boss out of Glendive. Ms. Armstrong feels she will be a big help with the assessments.

END OF OLD BUSINESS

REFUSE DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT - -

- ** Paper picking
- ** Some fences were bent up and will need to be repaired.
- ** Has some warranty work done on the compactor, also had AC fixed on track loader and front-end loader updated.
- ** Brian, Rocky and Darcia will be visiting the Tribal Council on August 17th to discuss the continuing debris problems at the Frazer container site and request the Council's help in fixing the problem.

John Fahlgren noted that T&R Trucking charges more per ton for the Frazer site and it appeared that they anticipated the extra cleanup costs when they bid the contract. Rocky Thompson responded that he could not have anticipated the latest mess at the site.

Last week, T&R Trucking had to send out extra people and equipment on special run to clean up the trash at the Frazer dump

site to allow them to pick up the container. This resulted in extra charges to the Refuse District. In addition, Refuse District and T&R Trucking personnel took two skid steers to the Frazer site to remove debris last spring. The cost of these additional cleanups are currently born by the Refuse District as a whole.

The board discussed options for dealing with the issue, including charging the Fort Peck Tribe directly for the special cleanups or discontinuing pick up if T&R Trucking cannot get into the site to pick up the container. The board also discussed continuing debris issues at other container sites which do occur from time to time. However, special cleanups have not been required and the latest Frazer site condition was the worst the Rocky Thompson had seen.

Mary Armstrong moved to charge the Fort Peck Tribe for special cleanups that require additional personnel and equipment at the Frazer site in order for the site containers to be picked up. The charges would be added to the annual assessment sent to the Fort Peck Tribe. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- ** Tire Reclaiming & Tire Shredding has given a quote to shred tires for \$29,800.00. They will be able to shred all tires, even the big tractor tires.**

Mary Armstrong moved to accept the quote for \$29,800.00 to shred tires. John Fahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

T&R REPORT - -

- Busy, busy.
- Frazer has been a problem with opening the side door on container and leaving a large mess.
- St. Marie had to be turned twice because the amount of garbage on the ground.

End of Report

OTHER BUSINESS

Mary Armstrong moved to put \$300,000.00 into the CIP account. 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 5:00 PM



Paul Tweten, Chairman



Darcia Schindler, Secretary

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Next meeting will be September 21, 2022, 5:00 PM