

CUSTER FALL RIVER

REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2025, Meeting – 6:30 pm MST Mueller Center

The Custer-Fall River Regional Waste Management District Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm on Thursday, November 20, 2025 (which was rescheduled from November 13, 2025), at the Mueller Center, Hot Springs, SD by Chairman Mike Linde.

Members Present: Mike Linde, Chairman, Custer County; Les Cope, Vice Chairman, Fall River County; Ray Hussey, Buffalo Gap; Craig Romey, Hot Springs; and Vince Logue, Oelrichs. Members Absent: Dee Anderson, Pringle; Peg Ryan, Secretary/Treasurer, Custer; Rheta Reagan, Edgemont; and Dean Weekley, Fairburn; Others Present: Dennis Tubb, Barker Concrete and Construction, and Starla Russell, Deputy Secretary/Treasurer.

All motions approved unanimously unless otherwise noted.

No conflicts of interest were noted.

Motion by Hussey, second by Romey to approve the November 20, 2025, agenda.

Motion by Hussey, second by Logue to approve the September 11, 2025, meeting minutes.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Motion by Cope, second by Romey to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Dennis Tubb represented Barker Concrete and Construction and reported the transmission in the four-wheeler needs repaired. A rental is currently being used until the repairs are completed. A brief discussion was held comparing the costs of a new purchase, purchasing the rental or fixing the current four-wheeler. It was determined the costs to repair the equipment would be more feasible.

Tubb reported a recent on-site inspection was conducted by Steve Kropp of DANR. Kropp requested the Board's plan to dispose of appliances currently on site and inquired about the report to no longer accept appliances with freon. Tubb reported Barkers is having difficulty getting someone to remove the freon and he is aware that only Pacific Steel accepts appliances at a cost of \$30/unit. Kropp suggested Langer Industrial removes freon and pays \$25-\$30/ton for the scrap metal of appliances. The Board asked Tubb to contact Langer Industrial and proceed with the freon removal and appliance disposal. Tubb further reported there are no landfills in Western South Dakota that accept appliances with freon. The Board discussed the need to provide the service and determined that the non-acceptance of appliances with freon is temporary. Romey reported that the Hot Springs Building Inspector is currently working toward his certification for freon removal and may be a resource in the future.

Tubb reported there has been no action on the concrete crushing project and end-product use assessment and indicated a representative was on site this past summer to assess the project and determined he could not get his crushing machine on site. Rather, he indicated he likely could not complete the project, and suggested burying the rubble instead. It was recommended Simons in Hot Springs be contacted by the Deputy Secretary/Treasurer to determine if they can complete the project.

Jason Hinds of FMG was not in attendance, but provided a written report as follows:

- The Financial Assurance calculation is tracking close to projected numbers and will be finalized after the calendar year-end.
- The groundwater sampling has been mostly completed and work for the 2025 report has started.
- Work continues on the permit amendment/expansion, and a target final draft is expected for early 2026.

Fees associated with providing credit card payment services were reviewed. A close-out report will be issued at the next meeting listing the final costs of providing the services. Tubb delivered the credit card machine to the Deputy Secretary/Treasurer to return to First Data Hardware Services.

The five-year CD 3981 invested with Liberty National is set to mature on December 23, 2025. Current CD rates were reviewed. Motion to reinvest in a 23-month CD at the current rate of 3.03% APY with Liberty National by Cope, second by Hussey.

The 2026 preliminary budget was discussed and proposed changes to several line items were made. Final budget figures will be presented during the January 2026 Board meeting for further discussion and final approval. The current budget figures for the purchase of a Con Cover machine and Con Cover soil have not been expended. Tubb indicated he will coordinate the purchase of Con Cover soil to occur within the 2025 budget but was unsure about the Con Cover machine.

The 2026 meetings will continue to be held on the 2nd Thursday of every other month at 6:30 pm, beginning in January 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2026, at 6:30 pm at the Mueller Center, Hot Springs, SD. Cope requested the Board discuss the possibility of moving the meeting start times earlier at the next meeting.

Motion by Romey, second by Hussey to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Submitted by


Starla Russell, Deputy Secretary/Treasurer