## Solid Waste Association of North America Oklahoma Indian Nations Chapter Executive Committee Meeting 12/16/2020 Minutes

## **Opening Items:**

1. Call to Order

Chairman Chris Knight called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

People in attendance and via conference call: Paul Streets, Gregg Vance, Brett Scovill, Tim Stephens, Brenda Merchant, Chris Knight, Jeff Shepard, Matt Faulkner, Troy Duke and Patrick Riley.

3. Chair's Opening Remarks

Chris opened the meeting with wishing everyone a safe Holiday season.

4. Minutes from October 21, 2020 Meeting.

The Minutes from the November 18, 2020 Meeting were approved (MSC: Shepherd, Streets).

#### David McCary – Texas SWANA

David informed the board that SWANA has nationally raised roughly \$166,000 to help assist solid waste employees that have been impacted by the Covid pandemic. Secondly, the officer's terms have been voted to be extended for one year to get through the COVID pandemic. SWANA is working towards getting Solid Waste employees recognized as a high priority for the COVID vaccine.

### **Treasures Report**

Report was sent out to everyone prior to the meeting. The treasures report was approved (MSC: Vance, Scovili)

#### 2021 Conference Discussion

Chris Knight report that the Hard Rock Hotel was not going to be able to host the conference on our scheduled date, due to pandemic. The board spoke about the possibility of pushing the date back further in the year, but concluded that it would be in our best interest to cancel it for the year and start back up with the 2022 conference. (MSC: Scovill, Faulkner)

A virtual WEP training will be scheduled with DEQ at later date.

### **Safety Ambassador Report**

Matt Faulkner reported that 2020 solid waste fatalities have reached 41 deaths and 49 members of the public.

SWANA COVID Response is trying to get frontline access to vaccines for the Solid Waste industry.

#### **YP Report**

Jessica briefly spoke about participating in the Virtual Happy Hour with Texas chapter.

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## **Treasurer Discussion**

There was nothing to discuss.

#### **New Business**

Chris Knight asked that we start thinking about a volunteer for a liaison for future leaders program. We will have to select someone next month.

June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021 is the date set for our joint board meeting with Texas.

## **Old Business**

No old business was discussed.

## **Meeting Adjournment**

A Motion was made and approved for adjournment (MSC: Faulkner, Shepherd).