

## Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District

### Regular Board Meeting Minutes

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Board Members Present: Mayor Jeff Arey, Judge Lanny Fite, Mr. Jim Erwin, Mr. J.R. Walters, Dr. Don Brashears, and Mr. Bob McKeon

Others Present: Mr. Sam Ed Gibson, Attorney for SCRSWMD; Mr. Mike Lauderdale, Terry's Waste; Mr. Jim Goble, Inter District Tire Program; Mrs. Tai Marshall, Office Manager, Saline County RSWMD; Mr. Michael Grappe', Executive Director, Saline County RSWMD; Ms. Tiffany Dunn, Administrative Assistant, Saline County RSWMD, Roger Finley, Terry's Waste.

Mayor Arey called the meeting to order and asked everyone to sign in.

**Reading of Minutes from June meeting:** Mayor Arey stated the first order of business was the reading of minutes from the July meeting. Mr. Walters made a motion to approve the July minutes. Dr. Brashears seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition.

**Reading of Financial Statement and Financial Position from June:** Mr. Grappe' stated that our financials for the month of July we have a total of \$4,503,329.61 in our accounts. Mr. Grappe' stated that our revenue for the month of July is a total of \$6,043.72 that was from waste hauler permits, operating account interest, revenue account interest, investment account interest, payment from MidArk, and Material Sales. Mr. Erwin asked the question how much the balance is for MidArk. Mr. Gibson stated that it will take about 35 months for it to be paid off; they are paying weekly for about \$1,000. Mr. Grappe' stated that our operation expenses for the month of July were \$51,898.68. Mr. Grappe' stated that our Recycle Report for the month of July we have revenue of \$607.60 and expenses for \$2,791.48 which gave us a posted loss of \$2,183.88. Mr. McKeon asked a question about a stop payment check. Mrs. Tai Marshall stated that the stop payment was for the Benton Senior Activity Center for labor and that they misplaced the check. Mrs. Tai Marshall stated it cost \$20.00 for the stop payment of the check but the District held out that cost in the check that was reissued to them. Mr. J.R. Walters made a motion to approve the Financial Statement and Financial Position report from July. Mr. Bob McKeon seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition.

**Inter-District Tire Update-Jim Goble:** Mr. Goble stated that he has given the numbers as usual. Mr. Goble stated that there have been 15 million tires that equals to about 150,000 tons of tires. Mr. Goble stated that the Saline County Financials for June are very similar to last year. Mr. Goble stated that he has been talking with Mrs. Marshall about people that are turning in tires that aren't really tire dealers. Mr. Goble stated that we will address that when we get our own collection site up and running. He stated that it is kind of difficult with Republic owning the landfill and watching the trailers to do anything against the people that are bringing in the tires. Mr. Jim Goble stated that everything is running smoothly.

**Environmental Officer Update-Officer Blevins:** Officer Blevins was absent and Mrs. Marshall gave the Environmental Officer Update. Mrs. Marshall stated that Officer Blevins is making progress on Green Rd. and he's had a few clean up days with Trustees there. Mrs. Marshall stated that Officer Blevins has moved the camera to an active site and will be speaking at the upcoming Environmental Officer Summit giving a presentation with Lori Burke from ADEQ. Mrs. Marshall stated that Officer Blevins couldn't be there today because of an issue that he had to check on in Paron. Mrs. Marshall stated that Officer Blevins isn't going to turn the Foxfire property over to Quorum Court because he is going to proceed in Criminal Court. Mrs. Marshall stated that if they go through Quorum Court he would have to evict them from their home and if he goes through Criminal Court it could lead to jail time.

### **Executive Director Update**

**RFP Status:** Mr. Grappe' stated that on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> we will open up the bidding process for the new recycling center at Neeley St. Mr. Grappe' stated that the strategy is that we have developed two packages one for Bryant and one for Benton. Mr. Grappe' stated that we had an RFP out last month to select a contractor for all the servicing of the businesses and school pick-ups. Mr. Grappe' stated we awarded the contract to Bin There Dump That. Mr. Grappe' stated we had two bidders, Bin There Dump That and Terry's Waste. Mr. Grappe' stated the contract with Bin There Dump That is for \$5,900 a month. Mr. Grappe' stated they will go out and pick up all paper/recyclables so that we can concentrate on being at the recycling facility for processing. Mr. Erwin asked how many businesses we're picking up. Mr. Grappe' stated we're picking up twenty nine businesses. Mr. Grappe' stated he has a problem with picking up for businesses because we are picking up businesses for free where companies like Terry's Waste charges for pick-up. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is working with Terry's Waste on a solution to the pick-ups for the businesses. Mr. McKeon asked if Bin There Dump That was picking up just schools. Mr. Grappe' stated that they will pick up all the schools and the twenty nine businesses. Mr. Erwin asked how the procedure works for them to pick up. Mr. Grappe' stated they're taking the place of what we were doing. Mr. Grappe' stated when we did a time study our labor, fuel, and equipment cost were about \$65,000 a year for servicing the program.

**Recycling:** Mr. Grappe' stated we've had a job opening available that closes today and then will start the interview process. Mr. Grappe' stated we're lacking direction at the recycling center and don't have anyone watching over for safety requirements with OSHA. Mr. Grappe' stated we don't have a point of responsibility and the Shop Foreman is going to take care of that. Dr. Brashears asked how many people we have at the recycle center. Mrs. Marshall stated we have a full-time worker, a part-time worker, a contract laborer, and there are two people that work for ESCO. Mr. Erwin asked how things are working out with ESCO. Mrs. Marshall stated they're collecting and processing e-waste in our facility. Mr. Grappe' stated them being in our facility saves us roughly a \$1,000 a month. General questions were asked about the Shop Foreman position.

**Events:** Mr. Michael Grappe' stated the Saline County Fair is coming on September 4-8<sup>th</sup> and we will have a booth at the fair providing educational material, cups, and coloring books. Mr. Grappe' stated that October 6<sup>th</sup> is going to be our E-waste event in conjunction with our partner ESCO. Mr. Grappe' stated it will be held at the old Harvest Foods parking lot and on that day we will be introducing our new

mascot, Smarty the Fox. Mr. Grappe' stated that we are going to work with Civitan to be the mascot and pay them \$10.00 an hour. Mr. Grappe' stated that on August 27<sup>th</sup> he will be attending the Environmental Officer Summit doing introductions. Mr. Grappe' stated that they will move the next Summit to the Southwest or Southeast. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that they plan on doing the whole state, moving it each quarter. Mr. Grappe' stated that he has a Director's meeting on August 23-24. Mr. Grappe' stated reminded the Board about the Arkansas Recycling Coalition Conference on September 12-14<sup>th</sup>.

**Miscellaneous:** Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that we got our grant approval program done. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that we originally requested \$157,600. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that we have approved \$111,655 for our programs and roughly \$14,000 for our construction.

**Old Business:** There was no old business to report.

**New Business:** Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that the District received in the mail information about a Radio Transmitter License and asked the Board if anyone was aware of that license. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that we hold three licenses. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that the transmitter is in someone's yard. Mrs. Marshall said that the fixed transmitter is located on Virginia Avenue owned by Leslie McClendon who may still work for the landfill. Judge Fite asked if there is any need of us having the radios. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that there is no need for us to have the radios. Judge Fite asked if the radio licenses belong to the Landfill or to the Waste Management Board. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that we own the license. Judge Fite stated that it is his understanding that we have no need for them and doesn't think that we can sale or transfer them but we can surrender them. General questions were asked about the radios. Judge Fite made a motion to not renew the license and sale the existing radio equipment, tower, and whatever else is related to it. Mr. J.R. Walters seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition.

**Public Comments:** Mr. Sam Ed Gibson made a suggestion to the Board to accept the Executive Directors report in its entirety and recommends that the Board make a finding fact by motion that the services to be provided by Bin There Dump That or professional services to specifically authorize the business arrangement with Bin There Dump That with an all in favor. Mr. Sam Ed Gibson stated that we are going to be totaling close to \$70,000.00 expenditure and it would be better if it is bid because of the nature of the services. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that the contract was bid with an RFP in the paper. Dr. Brashears made a motion to approve the Executive Directors report. Mr. J.R. Walters seconded the motion. All were in favor and the Executive Directors report was approved.

Mayor Arey made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Mr. J.R. Walters seconded the motion. All were in favor and meeting adjourned.