

Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District Meeting

November 12, 2014

Minutes

The regular November Board meeting was called into session at 2:00 PM.

Board Members Present: Dr. Don Brashears; Mayor Jeff Arey; Mr. J.R. Walters, and Mr. Bob McKeon. Mr. Jim Erwin and Judge Lanny Fite were absent. Mayor Arey held a proxy designation from Judge Fite.

Others Present: Mr. Michael Grappé, Executive Director, Saline County RSWMD; Mr. Shane Knight, IDCO, Ms. Tiffany Dunn, Marketing Coordinator; Ms Patti Powell, Office Manager, Staff Members of the Saline County RSWMD. Mr. Sam Ed Gibson, Attorney for the Saline County RSWMD, and Jordan Woolbright, Accountant for the Saline County RSWMD. Two members of the public were also in attendance. Please see attached sign in sheet.

Minutes from the October 15, 2014 meeting were read and adopted by motion of Mr. Walters, seconded by Dr. Brashears and by unanimous vote of the Board.

Reports:

Financial Statement and Financial Position

Mr. Woolbright presented the Financial Statement and Financial Position of the Saline County RSWMD for October and year to date. The Report was adopted, after motion by Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. McKeon, by unanimous vote of the Board.

Inter-District Waste Tire Program

Ms. Stacy Edwards was unable to be present so Mr. Grappé offered information for the Inter-District Waste Tire Program for 2014 and cumulative data for 1993 to 2014.

IDCO

Shane Knight, Illegal Dump Control Officer for the District, offered his report centering on his activities since the October Board meeting.

Marketing

Tiffany Dunn presented the Marketing Coordinator's report. She described her activities at Paron and Pine Haven Elementary Schools and the projects of YEA Teams in area school. A recycled art contest is being held in the schools with winners announced on November 17, 2014. Ms Dunn also gave the Board updates on the Fashion Show Re-Fashion Bash which will be held in April, the recognition by the Bauxite School Board of the award winning Bauxite Middle School YEA Team and the clean up by Benton Matters on Kenwood.

Executive Director

During the Executive Director's Report Mr. Grappé continued, from the November Board meeting, the discussion of the Black Box Recycling Program. He described the three public meeting held on the matter on Monday October 27 at the OEM Building in Benton; Tuesday October 28 at the Shannon Hills City Hall, and on Wednesday October 29 at the Bryant City Hall. Mr. Grappé expressed his opinion that the Black Box Recycling Program be discontinued after January 5, 2015. By motion made by Mr. Walters and seconded by Mr. McKeon, the Board voted to accept Mr. Grappé's recommendation to end the Black Box Recycling Program. He also described the recycling opportunities at the landfill beginning in January which county residents may use at no cost.

Also presented was data from the landfill coupon program.

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

Mr. Grappé and Mr. Gibson presented a draft resolution to the Board regarding a record's retention schedule for the District. Mr. Gibson explained that the schedule is based on the "Arkansas State General Records Retention Policy" subject to four exceptions:

- Employee pay records;
- Financial Recording evidencing the day-to-day business of the District;
- Audit Reports; and
- Bank Statements.

Upon Mr. Gibson's recommendation, the Board determined that a public hearing concerning the draft Records Retention Policy would be held immediately prior to the December 17 Board meeting and the Policy would be considered during the regular meeting.

Mr. Grappé explained to the Board the use of the citation book carried by the Illegal Dumps Control Officer. The legal sufficiency of the citation form was approved by the Saline County Prosecutor's Office. The IDCO has been using the citation book for a few months, but only giving the "warning" tickets to county residents who were violating local and/or state law. Mr. Grappé asked to bring the use and approval of the citation book forward in a resolution at the December meeting. The Board agreed and set a public hearing on the resolution for December 17 prior to the regular Board meeting.

Dr. Brashears announced his resignation from the Board. He described his years as a member of the Board and what a pleasant experience it had been. He stated that staff members were outstanding and singled out Attorney Sam Ed Gibson for his excellent advice and negotiating skills during the sale of the landfill. He also explained that per Arkansas statutes the choice of his replacement was within the prerogative of the Mayor of Benton and he was happy to announce that Dr. Dean McCormach had been chosen by the Benton mayor to serve on the Saline County Solid Waste Management District Board.

Mayor Jeff Arey expressed the thanks of the Board to Dr. Brashears for his years of dedicated service for the betterment of Saline County's environment.

The Board meeting was adjourned after motion by Dr. Brashears, seconded by Mr. Walters and unanimous vote of the Board.