Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District

Minutes of the Public Hearing April 15, 2015 1:45 PM Resolution No. 3 of 2015 Establishing a Fee of Five Dollars for the Issuance of Landfill Coupons to Saline County Residents

The Public Hearing for Resolution 3 of 2015 was opened at 1:46 PM on April 15 by Board Chair Jim Erwin. Board members present were J.R. Walters, Judge Jeff Arey, Dr. Dean McCormack, Bob McKeon and Mayor Janie Lyman. Board attorney Mr. Sam Ed Gibson briefly described the resolution establishing a District rule regarding the collection of a \$5 fee for the issuance of two landfill coupons for each Saline County residential household. He also explained that Resolution 3 makes permanent the emergency rule in Resolution 1 of 2015 considered and voted upon at the February 18, 2015 District Board meeting. No one presented testimony at the hearing nor were any comments received by District staff prior to the Public Hearing. Chair Erwin closed the Public Hearing at 1:53 PM.

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting April 15, 2015 2:00 PM

The **Board Members Present:** Chair, Mr. Jim Erwin; Judge Jeff Arey, Dr. Dean McCormack, Mayor Janie Lyman, J.R. Walters, and Mr. Bob McKeon

Others Present: Saline County RSWMD staff: Mr. Michael Grappé, Executive Director, Mr. Shane Knight, Illegal Dumps Control Officer, Ms. Tiffany Dunn, Marketing Coordinator, Ms Patti Powell, Office Manager. Also present was Mr. Sam Ed Gibson, Attorney for the District, and Stacy Edwards, Inter-District Waste Tire Coordinator.

Chair Jim Erwin called the meeting to order at 2:01 PM. Minutes from the March 18, 2015 Board Meeting were reviewed and adopted by unanimous voice vote.

Reports:

- **1. Financial Statement and Financial Position:** Given the date, April 15 Jordan Woolbright, CPA was unable to provide a Financial Statement and Financial Position. He will present materials for two months at the May 20, 2015 meeting.
- **2. Inter-District Waste Tire Program** Stacy Edwards made an update on the Inter-District Waste Tire program. She explained that report numbers showed a significant increase in tires collected for recycling. She also told Board members of the Tire

Program's Oversight Board meeting that had taken place that morning. Chairman Jim Erwin was in attendance. Ms Edwards also explained a gap in state legislation which allows used tire dealers to operate without disposal oversight. Further, she has been working with the North Little Rock City Attorney to amend the city's business licensing ordinances to require used tire dealers operating within city limits to provide disposal information as a requirement to obtaining a license to do business. She will provide the ordinance for the Board for their review.

- answered questions regarding waste haulers' vehicle signage requirements. Regarding the illegal landfill being investigated by ADEQ on West Jackman trail, Counselor Gibson told the Board that during a meeting he and Executive Director Grappé had with Ben Jones of ADEQ, Mr. Jones said the Department would "go forward with enforcement efforts." Mr. Jones had explained, at the meeting, that the property, used as an illegal landfill for approximately 30 years, had been the subject of prior enforcement actions, but that those actions had been "plagued with failure of long term follow through" by the Department. Types of enforcement actions were being discussed by Department leaders and the enforcement path had not been set.
- **4. Marketing/Education Report** Ms Tiffany Dunn, Marketing Director recapped the Re-Fashion Bash which was held on the prior Saturday, April 11. Board member McKeon, who attended the Re-Fashion Bash expressed his pride to the Board and said it was a complete success. Ms Dunn also told the Board that the District had been one of six organizations nominated by ADEQ for its 2015 Environmental Stewardship Award and that the Award announcement and reception will be held on Friday April 24 at 11:00 AM at ADEQ headquarters in North Little Rock. Chairman Erwin will be in attendance as well as District staff.
- 5. **Executive Director's Report** Mr. Grappé reviewed the coupon program statistics. He also presented his decision to withdraw the District from the Association of Solid Waste Districts. Discussion was held and, by consensus, the Board agreed with Mr. Grappé's decision. Next Mr. Grappé explained that a process is underway to digitize and organize all previously passed Board Resolution and the creation of a policy manual that will contain the Resolutions. Chairman Erwin stated the projects was well worth the efforts. He inquired and received assurances that an electronic computer disaster plan was in effect to protect all District computer records.
- 6. There was no **Old Business**

7 New Business

a. The Board considered Resolution 3 of 15. Board member Walters moved for the adoption of Resolution 3, it was seconded by Mr. McKeon and the motion passed.

Public Comments: Mr. Erwin opened the meeting for comments by the public. Mr. Eddie Jones of Jimmy's diner introduced the problem his business is having with lack of recycling resources for the bulk cardboard it receives. He used the Black Boxes for

disposal prior to the ending of that program. Options and possible resolutions were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned by voice vote at 2:47 on April 15, 2015.