

Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 16th, 2025

Present:

Tiffany Dunn- Executive Director, Hunter Schelle Environmental Enforcement Officer, Jeff Arey, Attorney Sam Ed Gibson, Mayor Crystal Herrmann, Mayor Chris Treat.

Absent:

Mayor Mike Kemp, Toby Hirscheider (Proxy Jeff Arey), Mayor Clyde Crookham.

Call to Order and Sign In

The Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District Regular Board Meeting Was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Jeff Arey at the Recycle Saline Office at 520 Edison Ave. in Benton.

1. Review and Approval of Minutes from March 5th, 2025, Meeting.

Jeff Arey asks if there is any discussion concerning the minutes from March 5th, 2025. There is a motion for approval of the minutes made by Mayor Crystal Herrmann and seconded by Mayor Chris Treat. Motion passed. All approve.

2. Review of Financials of February 2025, March 2025

Mr. Woolbright reports to the Board the beginning Total Cash and Cash Equivalents of the Bank Account Summary for February 2025 was \$5,127,778.76 and the end of the month was \$5,104,384.52. Page 2 is the Operations Detail Report that lists the totals for February of \$30,255.04 and Page 3 which supports Page two figures per line item. Page 4 is the listing of the Grant monies for the past 2 months and the total spent for February which is \$7,528.65 Page 5 supports the figures for the line items of Grant monies spent for February 2025.

Mr. Woolbright reports that at the start of March 2025 Total Cash and Cash Equivalents were \$5,104,384.52 and the ending balance was \$5,085,259.76. Page 2 is the Operations Detail Report for the month of March that has totals of expenditures of \$38,449.10 and Page 3 gives details for those transactions for the month of March. Page 4 is the Grant report for the month of March with a total cost of \$5,325.77. Page 5 is the listing of Account Transactions for the month of March 2025.

Motion to approve Financials by Mayor Chris Treat, seconded by Mayor Crystal Herrmann Motion passed. All approve.

3. Environmental Enforcement Update- Hunter Schelle

Officer Schelle explains to the Board that over this reporting period there have been 11 cases worked on with a total of 0 open cases. He also states that there have been 733 tires with 5 manifests that have been collected at the landfill. Mr. Schelle explains that there was a total of 7 illegally dumped tires as well as 7.76 tons or 15,520 lbs. that have been disposed of. Officer Schelle also states that for the current Year to Date for 2025 there have been a total of 44,345 lbs. Cleaned up with 7 illegally dumped tires and a total of 17 cases worked.

4. Executive Director Update: Tiffany Dunn

a.) Marketing and Education Report

Ms. Dunn informs us that the YEA! Team program has been planning Earth Day Events with Caldwell and Parkway Elementary Ms. Dunn informs the board that she will be going by the schools to give a presentation over Recycling for Earth Day. She also explains to the board that we will be hosting The Great Saline County Cleanup on April 26th and plan on doing cleanups on 6 roads around Saline County. Ms. Dunn also gives thanks to Mayor Crystal Herrmann for allowing us to have a bailer from the City of Alexander. Ms. Dunn explains to the board that the legislative session has ended, and there have been no changes to the tire program so it will continue as normal for the next two years.

b.) 2025 Landfill Coupon Program

Ms. Dunn relays to the board that a total of 3,163 coupons have been sold this year and that is 1,581.5 homes that have received coupons. Of the 3,163 coupons sold there was a 29% redemption rate at the landfill from coupons that have been sold this year. Ms. Dunn reports that there has been \$11,835 collected from coupon sales for the year. Ms. Dunn also reports that there was 740,000 pounds disposed of at the landfill using coupons.

c.) 2025 Recycle Report

She informs the board we are currently at 3,620 lbs. from non-profits. Ms. Dunn reports that we have also recycled 31,149 lbs. of e-waste, 62,060 lbs. of Cardboard, as well as 9,330 lbs. of plastics through our recycling center for a total recycling weight of 122,411 lbs. for the year 2025.

5. New Business

A- Neeley Street Property Proposal

Ms. Dunn informs the board that we have received a proposal for the purchase of the Neeley Street Property from the County for \$72,672. Chairman Jeff Arey asks for any comments from Ms. Dunn as well as Mr. Jones. Ms. Dunn recommends accepting the proposal for the Neeley Street property, based on the property being purchased as a recycling facility considering we now have our new property and are operating a recycling facility out of it, she sees no need to keep the Neeley Street Property. Mr. Jones states that the offer Price from Saline County is based off of two of three comp properties which were both around \$2.00 a square foot, and he believes that this offer represents that.

Motion made to accept the Purchase Proposal from Saline County for the Neeley Street property made by Mayor Chris Treat, Seconded by Mayor Crystal Herrmann. All approve.

6. Old Business

A- New Gen Strategies and Solutions Survey

Ms. Dunn explains to the board that we have received our final report from New Gen Strategies over our survey that was released to the Public at the end of 2024. She informs the board that we received 1.54% response rate from Saline County Residents with a total of 698 residents responding to the Survey. Ms. Dunn goes into further detail on all the questions asked in the survey as well as some of the answers received from respondents from the survey. Please review the board packet of April 16th, 2025, for further information on the New Gen Strategies Survey.

7. Public Comments

No Public Comments

Meeting Adjourned.