

**SALINE COUNTY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**August 17, 2016**

**RESOLUTION NO. 1 OF 2016**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 3 OF 2015,  
TO CHANGE THE EXPIRATION DATE OF UNUSED COUPONS;  
CONTINUING THE FIVE DOLLAR (\$5.00) FEE AND ELIGIBILITY  
REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUANCE TO HOUSEHOLDS DESIRING THE  
SAME OF COUPONS FOR DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE AT  
THE REPUBLIC SERVICES LANDFILL FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE  
SALINE COUNTY LANDFILL UP TO TWO (2) DAYS PER YEAR  
WITHOUT PAYING GATE CHARGES OR TIPPING FEES AND,  
FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

Meeting called to order at 1:45 PM, by Chairman Jim Erwin

Ms. Patti Powell stated that no comments have been made via phone, email, or in-office visit.

Mr. Sam Ed Gibson affirmed that the proper notices have been posted in the local newspaper and to the Secretary of State. All of the necessary steps have been followed to institute this rule change.

There were no public comments. Aside from our legal representation, there were no additional guests present.

Motion passed at 1:46 PM

Jim Erwin moved to close the Public Hearing.

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# Regular Board Meeting

August 17, 2016

2:00PM

Present: Mayor Janie Lyman, Dr. Dean McCormack, J.R. Walters, Judge Jeff Arey, Bob McKeon, and Chairman Jim Erwin. District Office Staff : Executive Director, Mr. Michael Grappé, Executive Assistant to Director, Ms. Patti Powell, Marketing and Education, Ms. Tiffany Dunn, IDCO Officer, Mr. Shane Knight, and Office Manager, Cathy DePelsMaeker. Others present: Ms. Lori Burke, ADEQ, Mr. Desi Ledbetter and Ms. Stacy Ford, Inter-District Waste Tire Program, and resident of Saline County, Ms. Robin Waggoner.

Chairman Jim Erwin called the meeting to order at 2:00PM. First item on the Agenda was the review and approval of minutes from June meeting. Motion to approve June minutes by Jim Erwin. All were in favor and June 2016 minutes were approved.

Reports:

## **Review of Financial Statement and Financial Position**

Mr. Woolbright presented the Financial Statement and Financial Position of the District for July 2016 to year to date. Mr. Woolbright also offered a detailed report review of the Operations Detail report, and detail about our Recycling account transactions. Motion to approve Financials by Jim Erwin, all were in favor and financials were approved.

## **Inter-District Waste Tire Program**

Ms. Stacy Ford presented information and statistics for the nine county Inter-District Waste Tire Program for year to date 2016. Items addressed:

- a) Tire Trailer at Big Jake's has been ordered, because of the delay, Stacy has pulled one of her trailers and placed one out there.
- b) City of Benton cleanup status: ~2,000 tires were approved for disposal without charge; however, there still seems to be some discrepancy about who is ultimately responsible for removing these tires. The billing status is pending, and a new rule is being considered by the Tire Board, which is, if you buy a house, the buyer is ultimately responsible for the tires.
- c) Stakeholder Meeting- Topics discussed were: recycling versus (monofilling) landfilling. Ms. Ford expressed that because of the expense of recycling, persons typically dump tires instead of paying for disposal, since there is no incentive.
- d) Review of 2016 Waste Tire Program totals
- e) Graph report given to Board Members: 2013-2016 Tire Counts. Graphs show the increase just within the past few years.
- f) Review of P&L report. Unfortunately, our District will have a shortfall, but, a 25K grant should cover that. Ms. Edwards advised watching our expenses throughout the year, and watch how our grants come in. IF there is no legislative change to assist with the program running smoothly, perhaps the individual District may want to look at providing the shortfall in the form of a grant for their tire program.

Mr. Bob McKeon inquired if the Legislature is working on paying for the larger tires. Ms. Edwards responded that that topic was under discussion, at the committee and stakeholder's meeting (for new cars as well).

## **IDCO**

Mr. Shane Knight—Illegal Dump Control Officer, offered his report centering on his activities since the June Board Meeting. Chairman Erwin expressed appreciation for the IDCO article in the Saline Courier highlighting Mr. Knight's skills and expertise.

## **Marketing**

Ms. Tiffany Dunn offered a brief overview of her upcoming events. She also discussed the "Blinged Out Cans" for the Salt Bowl, upcoming ICAN 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration in East End, and today's meeting with the YEA Team to plan for the upcoming year.

Mr. Bob McKeon inquired if we were up for any awards next year in Eureka Springs. Ms. Dunn stated that we have to wait 1 year to apply for the next award. Applications for other awards will start this fall.

## **Executive Director Report**

### **Report, Old and New Business**

Mr. Grappé addressed the coupon program statistics and recycling numbers.

Also provided was a proposed letter to all the Mayors, for a change in operations for the Drop Off Events, starting in 2017. Mr. Grappé requested the Board to review the document and to communicate with the District office if there were any questions or comments.

Second subject addressed was the issue with royalty payments. Historically, the payment schedule was a fixed amount, four times per year, of approximately \$120,000. In February of 2016, that fixed amount changed, and now only based on the tonnage rate. This reduction is reflected in our Financials, and is computed to be a shortfall of about \$150,000 per year.

Mr. Grappé expressed many concerns about the shortfall in the Tire District. While we have reduced most of our costs, support grants can only be used for equipment and abatement. We can't afford to make up differences in the waste tire issues. He also stressed to keep this issue in mind when creating next year's budgets.

Mr. Bob McKeon inquired about selling some of the items that we currently have in storage to help with costs. Mr. Grappé stated that we are currently working on getting rid of many things. Contributing to our cost reduction is limiting what we accept at the neighborhood cleanups.

Mr. McKeon also asked about the integrity of the numbers that are reported. Mr. Grappé assured the Board that he meets with Blaine 1 to 2 times a year to discuss figures to ensure compliance.

Judge Jeff Arey inquired about how the Landfill Royalties are computed.

Our district does not tax, and there are no hidden fees to residents of Saline County.

### **New Business**

#### 1) Resolution 1 of 2016

Expiration date change

Resolution 1 of 2016 was unanimously approved by the Board.

## **Public Comments**

Robin Waggoner addressed the Board expressing dissatisfaction with recycling and garbage services because of the price.

Upon a brief question and answer session with the Board, Judge Jeff Arey suggested that it might be a better option to discuss Ms. Waggoner's concerns and inquiries at the District Office.

Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion approved, meeting adjourned at 2:50PM