

## **Regular Board Meeting**

### **Wednesday, April 17, 2019**

#### **Present:**

Judge Jeff Arey, Mr. J. R. Walters, Ms. Jennifer Hill, Sheryl Childs, Tiffany Dunn-Executive Director, Carmen Haynes-IDCO, Mr. Sam Ed Gibson, Ms. Leslie Morris, Mayor Paul Mitchell and Jordan Woolbright, CPA.

#### **Absent:**

Jim Erwin- Judge Jeff Arey, Proxy

#### **1. Call to Order and Sign In**

The Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District Regular Board meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Judge Jeff Arey. Judge Arey relays to those attending that Chairman Jim Erwin has given proxy to Judge Arey for this meeting because Chairman Erwin is absent due to illness in his family.

#### **2. Review and Approval of Minutes from February 27, 2019 Meeting**

The Board meeting minutes for February 27, 2019 were motioned for approval by Mr. J. R. Walters and seconded by Ms. Jennifer Hill. Ms. Sheryl Childs abstained due to not being at the February 27, 2019 meeting. Motion passed.

#### **3. Review of Financials from February 2019 and March 2019: Jordan Woolbright**

Mr. Woolbright reports to the Board that the ending Cash and Cash Equivalents for February 2019 was \$4,450,102.03. During the month of February, the Operations Detail Report shows \$18,348.66 in expenses and Recycling Account Transactions in the amount of \$9,588.47. Mr. Woolbright reports that there were no out of the ordinary transactions for this month. The ending Cash and Cash Equivalents for March 2019 was \$4,421,355.09. Mr. Woolbright ask the Board to notice that there are three payrolls in March and the Operations Detail Report shows \$28,671.79 in expenses and Recycling Account Transactions in the amount of \$21,232.45. The Recycling expenses are higher due to the upcoming event, Re-Fashion Bash in April. Judge Arey ask for a motion to approve the Financials for February 2019 and March 2019. Motion is made to approve the Financials by J. R. Walters and seconded by Ms. Jennifer Hill.

#### **4. Inter-District Tire Update: Leslie Morris**

Leslie Morris reports to the Board there are three permitted collection centers in Saline County. They are Republic, Britt's Auto, and Tire Engineer. They have all had one inspection by ADEQ and tarps, binders, and locks have been given to control mosquitoes and limit access for the requirements as a public collection under the new permits and regulations. Manifest Portal entries are being made at the Inter-District office now on a monthly basis. Ms. Morris reports the financials are going as expected with a year to date budget of revenue at \$1,334,000.00 and the actual year to date budget is \$1,165,000.00. There is a small percentage off for the year to date due to new Regulation 36, but for the new year knowing the different facets of the new regulations everything should work out for the next year. Ms. Morris relays that the one thing to note for Saline County to date, that there is a cash flow of

\$11,754.00 and the tire volume through the month of February 2019 is 7,934. There will be an Inter-District Tire Board Meeting on June 20, 2019. A request for proposal was sent out to Davis Rubber due to the contract being over on June 30, 2019. The Inter-District Tire Program is looking for a new contract for 5 years that would begin on July 1, 2019. The Inter-District Tire Board will meet and there should be a Resolution and new Contract by the August 2019 Board Meeting. There is a new app that is being developed by ADEQ to include all the Districts and on May 2, 2019 ADEQ will present the meaning of the app and the changes to Regulation 36 from recent legislation. Ms. Dunn relays to the Board that during Legislative Session there were two Regulations that were presented to clean up the Bills and will not effect how we are operating at this time. Ms. Morris relays that is what they have heard and that all the changes are District driven.

**5. Illegal Dump Control Officer Update: Carmen Haynes**

Officer Haynes relays to the Board there is a new Landfill Policy that began on April 1, 2019. This policy is being put in place to have loads secured to keep down on the amount of litter left on the road and landfill at West Sardis Road. Officer Haynes reports that there have been 16 Illegal Dumpsites from February to March. Six of the sites have been cleaned by the responsible people and there were 4 illegal burn sites from open barrel or on land. There were 4 tire trailers that were taken to Davis Rubber with a total of 516 tires from February to March 2019. There were 230 illegally dumped tires which is an increase. The FACEBOOK page is generating some help to hopefully get this in line shortly. There has been a total of 20 investigations with 10 resolved cases and 10 pending cases. During this reporting period, there have been 8.28 tons or 16,560 pounds of illegally disposed materials that have been properly disposed. Mayor Mitchell ask Officer Haynes if she has a copy of the letter so he can make his citizens aware of this new policy. Ms. Dunn relays Republic has hired someone to pick up trash along West Sardis Road and inside the Landfill. Attorney Gibson ask Officer Haynes how many citations have been written since she has been in office. Officer Haynes replies she has written 12, but really tries to work with them and only two have gone to court.

**6. Marketing and Education Update: Tiffany Dunn**

Ms. Dunn relayed to the Board, the Yea Team at Bryant Elementary did a bike drive for Recycle Bikes for Kids that took place the week before Spring Break during the Parent-Teacher Conference. The event collected 248 bikes and was promoted by Channel 4 and Channel 7. This event gave us good coverage with the kids going into the community and relaying about events that we are involved in such as Re-Fashion Bash and the Bike Program. On Earth Day, there will be a winner announced for the TREX Recycle Bag Program. The winner receives a bench made of plastic bags at their school from what they collected. At the present time, Pine Haven Elementary is in the lead collecting 1,216 pounds of plastic bags. Ms. Dunn relays to the Board that the last Recycling Event was at the Fairgrounds and 150 cars came through for that event with lots of volunteers and great weather. It is still amazing that out of 6 events and 4 of those events were focused on E-Waste, the amounts that we still collect. Ms. Dunn invites the Board to the Fifth Re-Fashion Bash on April 27, 2019, at Benton Event Center at 6:00 p.m. There will be 31 students that will model designs. Brandon Campbell, our co-producer, will have his IME brand models and this year to open the show, we will have a Dance performance. This Saturday, April 20, 2019, we will be on Channel 7 to promote Re-Fashion Bash at 6:50 am, so be tuned in for a pre-view. We will be on Channel 4 at 5:45 a.m. Wednesday and on Thursday, April 25, 2019 AT 9:20 a.m., we will be on Alice 107.7 and Friday, April 26, 2019, we will be on KHTV at 6:15 a.m. Right now it is all about Re-Fashion Bash, being our fifth year and finalizing the details of Re-Fashion Bash. Ms. Childs ask about the cost of the tickets and Ms. Dunn relays they are \$10.00 each, but the Board members are on the Guest List. Ms. Dunn relays that Re-Fashion Bash is hard work, but the responses

from the parents about the confidence built in the kids and learning about recycling is all worth it.

Ms. Dunn relays to the Board that there have been changes in the Legislative Session that could affect the way things are done at the Solid Waste District. House Bill 1967 is the Environmental Compliance Resource Act that will repeal the IDCO program and rolling it over to a new Environmental Resource Compliance Act. Carmen's title will now be Environmental Officer, not IDCO. This will allow County and City government such as Code Enforcement to voluntarily go through training like Carmen does and be able to site on a State level. This is primarily the change of the name of the title and the rest of the Law will remain the same. Senate Bill 377 will affect us as far as the funding by amending the law concerning the selection and distribution of Solid Waste Disposal and transportation fees to provide funding for unpaved roads. The District's recycling distributions will be distributed to the Districts, but \$10,000.00 of the re-imbursements will be used for the unpaved road program. Ms. Dunn relays to the Board, fall of 2020 the E-Waste Grant money will be depleted. Ms. Dunn relays that she is looking for options to continue the program that has been promoted to educate in recycling and that it would be hard to not be able to provide due to funding.

## **7. Executive Director Update: Tiffany Dunn**

### **a.) 2019 Landfill Coupon Program**

Ms. Dunn reports the 2019 Landfill Coupon Program has issued 2,867 coupons. There have been 885 coupons that have been redeemed and the amount of cash that has been received from this program is \$14,345.00.

### **b.) Recycling Report**

Ms. Dunn reports there were 6,670 pounds of paper and cardboard from non-profits so far this year. That material goes to Natural State in Little Rock. The total of E-Waste items is 8,241 pounds so far this year. Ms. Dunn relays to the Board that she is excited that on February 23, 2019, when Pulaski County and Saline County had the E-Waste event, that Saline County numbers were almost the same as Pulaski's numbers. Ms. Dunn is excited to have that kind of response to this program for Saline County. There are still 3 schools that are picked up by Bin There Dump That. The total pounds of paper and cardboard taken to Natural State to date is 10,660.

## **8. Old Business**

No new Business to report.

## **9. New Business**

No old Business to report.

## **10. Public Comments**

Judge Arey ask if there were any Public Comments and there were no responses.

Judge Arey, Acting Chairman, ask for a motion to entertain to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. J. R. Walters and seconded by Sheryl Childs.