

Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

May 15th, 2013

Board Members Present: Mayor Jeff Arey, Mr. Jim Erwin, Dr. Don Brashears, Mr. J.R. Walters, Mr. Bob McKeon, and Judge Fite.

Others Present: Mr. Sam Ed Gibson, Attorney for SCRSWMD; Mr. Mike Lauderdale, Terry's Waste; Mr. Roger Finley, Terry's Waste; Stacy Edwards, Inter-District Tire Program; Dana Lumpkin, Terracon; Mrs. Tai Marshall, Office Manager, Saline County RSWMD; Mr. Michael Grappe', Executive Director, Saline County RSWMD; Ms. Tiffany Dunn, Marketing Coordinator, Saline County RSWMD.

Mayor Arey called the meeting to order and asked everyone to sign in.

Reading of Minutes from October meeting: Mayor Arey stated the first order of business was the reading of minutes from the March meeting. Mr. J.R. Walters made a motion to approve the March Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Bob McKeon seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition.

Reading of Financial Statement and Financial Position from March and April: Mr. Grappe' stated that for the month of March in our operating account we have spent \$34,843.12 and have deposited \$384.53. Mr. Grappe' stated that our revenue account is \$766.42. Mr. Grappe' stated our Grants have expenses of \$12,418.20. Mr. Grappe' stated that our investments are still at 220+. Mr. Grappe' stated that we have a grand total of \$4,632,376.14 for the month of March. Mr. Grappe' stated that for April we made \$409.18 in deposits and has \$46,374.66 in expenses. Mr. Grappe' stated that we had Revenue of \$121,433.90. Mr. Grappe' stated that for the recycle grants we have expenses of \$28,983.07. Mr. Grappe' stated that for the investment account it's still over \$222,000. Mr. Grappe' stated that gives us a grand total of \$4,687,935.44 roughly a \$50,000 increase. Mr. Grappe' stated that we have an increase in cost of operations due to the heavy advertising that we are doing this year and as well as expanded drop off locations. Mr. Grappe' stated that for the Recycle Report we picked up 37.22 tons of paper, 6.07 tons of metal, which gives a total of 43.29 tons. Mr. Grappe' stated that our revenue from that \$4,195.60 against our expenses of \$12,418.20 gives us a net loss of \$11,560.53 in our recycling program. Mr. Grappe' stated that in April we sold 9.64 tons of metal and after our expenditures of \$28,983.07 we are at a loss of \$40,094.28. Mr. Bob McKeon asked if on the miscellaneous expense on the recycle report for \$18,000 was from some of the checks. Mr. Grappe' stated that was a grant and was used to pay Esco for shipping to clean out our warehouse as well as \$10,000 to do away with the CRT's the process which is in Missouri. Mr. Jim Erwin asked how often does the District do that. Mr. Grappe' stated that it was a one-time deal. Mr. Bob McKeon asked about a check that was written for \$5,928.75 for Bin There Dump That and asked if that was for recycling. Mr. Grappe' stated that is the monthly bill for the school pick-ups. Mr. Grappe' stated that he wanted to explain the CRT's. Mr. Grappe' stated

that Saline Memorial Hospital did a refurbishing of upgrading of their electronics and gave all their good stuff to a third party vendor locally and then called Esco to pick up e-waste and there were only big old TV's. Mr. Grappe' stated that there are about 250-300 rooms in the hospital and collected TV's from all those rooms. Mr. Grappe stated that we had 250 TV's that are of no value and cost \$8-\$10 to dispose of each TV. Mr. Grappe' stated that they collected the TV's and paid with grant money to dispose of the TV's. Judge Fite stated that since we have started the electronic pick-up they don't find electronics or appliances on the side of the road anymore. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if Saline Memorial helped with the cost of the disposal at all. Mr. Grappe' stated that they did not. Mr. Grappe' stated that he did talk with the board and told them that for future we don't mind helping them out but that we don't like to be cherry picked without taking the drive. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if ADEQ had any problems spending the grant money for the disposal. Mr. Michael Grappe' stated that they didn't have a problem with it. Mr. Bob McKeon made a motion to approve the financials for March and April. Mr. J.R. Walters seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition.

Inter-District Tire Update-Stacey Edwards: Ms. Stacey Edwards stated that this is a flyer that Davis Rubber and Ms. Edwards put together collaboratively that promotes Davis Rubber Company. Ms. Edwards stated that they took the flyer and passed them out at the Little Rock Sustainability Conference. Ms. Stacy Edwards stated that they wanted to make people aware that this is how many tires were being processed in their community. Ms. Edwards stated that 777,000 waste tires were processed in 2012 from the nine county inter-district area. Ms. Edwards stated that if you filled 2,220 waste tire trailers and put them end to end that it would stretch over 10 miles. Ms. Edwards stated that approximately 89% was diverted. Ms. Edwards stated that about 76.4% went into TDF which is burned in paper mill and then a smaller percentage was prime rubber, playground rubber, and recycling which they really prefer. Ms. Edwards stated that it is time for the binding oil rent round and is due to ADEQ by the first of June and has today for Mayor Arey to sign. Mr. Edwards stated that they had to produce a new waste tire management plan because the State's Solid Waste Plan hasn't been finalized yet and wanted a plan written for the tire program. Ms. Edwards stated that in the plan there is an outline of how they would like to increase the recycling amount with the new tractor tires that they are receiving which is a higher quality rubber. Ms. Edwards stated that we can produce crumb rubber, mulch, and playground rubber more readily with the tractor tires compared to the passenger tires. Ms. Edwards stated that they are looking to increase the amount of recycling and decrease the amount of that goes to fuel because partly it is more profitable for Davis Rubber in turn helps the district. Ms. Edwards stated that for the report for April Saline County 5,595 tires were collected which, is a big number for Saline County. Ms. Edwards stated that if you look back to January 2,598 were collected and has doubled since then. Ms. Edwards stated that for the month of February for the financials there is \$106,773.63 in reserves and for the fiscal year to date \$164,000 in income and \$57,292.30 in expenses. Ms. Edwards stated that the transport grant that they requested from ADEQ to transport the tires for tire uses and land filling they received 102,000 that is divided up between the districts so that the transfer charges are covered for the next fiscal year. Ms. Edwards stated that for the next fiscal year they will be applying for another grant. Ms. Edwards stated that they also received a small support grant for trailers in Faulkner County. Ms. Edwards stated that the tractor tires, and earth moving tires and have the shredder up but it's not running yet because still waiting on permits. Ms. Edwards stated

that most of the big tires are in Monroe County and Clark County and that will help money flow in the program. Ms. Edwards stated that she has asked for a little extra money with the transport grant for the transport of the big tires coming in from Monroe County. Judge Fite asked if there is a charge for the disposal of the large tires. Ms. Edwards stated that there will be because the program isn't funded for those. Ms. Edwards stated that they hope that they will one day have a fee like they do for the passenger tires. Judge Fite asked what the fee is on passenger tires. Ms. Edwards stated that the fee is \$2.00 and truck tire is \$5.00. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if it takes an act of legislation to change that. Ms. Edwards stated that it does and is not part of title A. Judge Fite asked that when he buys new tires if he has the option to keep the tires. Ms. Edwards stated that you do. Judge Fite stated that a lot of our issue is that most people opt to keep them. Ms. Edwards stated that they will be working on a public information campaign about not to dump tires and if you see it report it. Ms. Edwards stated that a lot of people don't think that dumping of one tire is illegal and people see it happening but don't report it. Ms. Edwards stated that they call the police and then say that they can't do anything about it. Ms. Edwards stated that one of the things that will have as part of their public information campaign is magnets that look like tires with phone number and email. Ms. Edwards stated that they will pass them out to tire dealers and gas stations. Judge Fite asked the question if fees are set by regulation or legislation. Ms. Edwards stated that the fees are set by legislation not to go over a certain amount and set by regulation to what they are. Judge Fite asked if they kept the tires if they can charge more. Ms. Edwards stated that the regulation says that they can't charge above the reasonable costs of removing and disposing of the tire. Ms. Edwards stated that they recently raised the rates from \$1.00 to \$2.00 to match the state rate to discourage that and also the truck tires went from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Ms. Edwards stated that now that they match they feel that it is more equitable.

Environmental Officer Update: Mr. Grappe' stated that the District doesn't have an Environmental Officer anymore. Mr. Grappe' stated that he and Mayor Arey did meet with the Sheriff in March to discuss making changes to the duties of the Environmental Officer. Mr. Grappe' stated that they proposed because he is an Environmental Officer and also the Code Enforcement officer and in addition was placed with the vicious animal position. Mr. Grappe' stated that they felt that he was being overloaded. Mr. Grappe' stated that they proposed to the Sheriff that we would send someone from our office to do Environmental Officer Training at SAU to get licensed and we would also send two or three deputies whatever the Sheriff felt comfortable with to get training as well. Mr. Grappe' stated that our office would do all the grunt work by making the site visits, taking pictures, and doing the clean-ups which Officer Blevins had been doing previously. Mr. Grappe' stated that the Sheriff thought that was a good idea and so the District is going to make some changes inside the office. Mr. Grappe' stated that Ms. Marshall is going to be the new Environmental Officer. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is rearranging everything. Mr. Grappe' stated that Ms. Dunn is going to be the Marketing Manager. Mr. Grappe' stated that she has stepped up within the last two months and started taking care of all the advertising and coordinating things and in the books you will see a picture of Smarty with an article associated with it. Mr. Grappe' stated that Ms. Dunn was also responsible for the article that was in the paper. Mr. Grappe' stated that she has received a high level attention from the Courier here lately for some of our activities. Mr. Grappe' stated that because we are expanding our role in the community and getting ready at some point to go to the curbside recycling and solid waste collection the District

will need a Front Desk person. Mr. Grappe' stated that if the Board doesn't have any problem with that he would like to go ahead and move forward to put out the notice to start looking. Mr. Jim Erwin made a motion that the Board will allow the Executive Director to do the request for the Operations person under the local guidelines. Judge Fite seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition. Mayor Arey stated that before we move away from Environmental Officer that he felt that Mr. Grappe' left off. Mayor Arey stated that we talked about sending someone from the office to do the leg work and clean-up and also sending the deputies. Mayor Arey stated that the deputies would be there to write citations if needed. Mr. Bob McKeon asked when the next class would be available for her to take. Mr. Grappe' stated that it will be in September. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if Ms. Marshall will be taking that over now or wait until she is trained. Mr. Grappe' stated that we will transition into that. Mr. Grappe' stated that our primary responsibility is to take care of issues inside the office. Mr. Grappe' stated that as soon as we get someone on board and they are trained she will be more than the Environmental Officer there will be operational issues that she will take care as well. Mr. Grappe' stated that there are 21 black boxes out now and a lot of clean-ups that need to be done as well. Mr. Grappe' stated that Ms. Marshall has already been to one on Alcoa Rd. for a tire clean-up. Ms. Marshall stated that she will be meeting with Ms. Lori Burke from ADEQ on Monday to discuss the Environmental program. Mr. Bob McKeon asked if the website has been updated for Environmental Officer. Mr. Grappe' stated that it has been and frozen so that it can't be used.

Executive Director Update

Recycling Program: Mr. Grappe' stated that last year we collected 529 tons of material. Mr. Grappe' stated that he got curious and started looking at what if we are mandated by the state to 40% of recycling. Mr. Grappe' stated that 40% based on our last year numbers of solid waste going through the gate was 77,000 tons and 40% of that is 30,600 tons. Mr. Grappe' stated that 530 tons is a little over 1% and we are making head way but have a long ways and no way near the goal. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if there is any other District that is meeting that. Mr. Grappe' stated that up there isn't. Mr. Jim Erwin asked what about Little Rock with their new recycling program. Mr. Grappe' stated that he has talked with them about that but base it on weight. There was some general talk about contamination at the recycling drop off locations. Mr. Grappe' stated that he has spoken with a gentleman who is interested in starting a recycle business and talked in depth about mattress recycling. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is working with him to see if they can do mattress and furniture recycling and collect from other districts. Mr. Grappe' stated that he working to help him put the program together and stated that he is also in plastics manufacturing. Mr. Grappe' stated that he has been talking with Republic services about the yard debris program. Mr. Grappe' stated that within the next couple of weeks that they would have someone go out there and survey the land that is adjacent to the landfill. Mr. Grappe' stated that people will bring the yard debris to us for no charge and we will bale it and sale the bales for leachate control. Mr. Grappe' stated that the landfill trucks will pick up and use for ground covering and will buy from us. Mr. Jim Erwin asked what it will cost to implement the yard debris program. Mr. Grappe' stated that we will have to buy a baler and still have a grant set aside for and will also have to buy a grinder or a chipper. Mr. Grappe' stated that there will be two avenues for revenue one for the bales and then one for the grinding operation. Mr. Grappe' stated that once we get this going that they will

start talking to landscaping operators. Mr. Bob McKeon asked if it will be free to drop off. Mr. Grappe' stated that it will be. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if it will be up and running by the end of the year. Mr. Grappe' stated that it should be by the end of the year and working with Republic for it. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is also thinking about working with a tree company for a service to pick up yard debris and the citizen to negotiate the price with the company.

Upcoming Events: Mr. Grappe' stated that we have a Lake Norrell clean-up in June. Mr. Grappe' stated that is the only thing that we have planned at this point. Mr. Grappe' stated that he did meet with Keep Bryant Beautiful last Monday and we are talking about doing several neighborhood cleanups similar to what we are doing with Benton Matters and Benton Chamber. Mr. Grappe' stated that we did the South Street clean-up that went very well and will do the Edison street clean-up next. Mr. Jim Erwin asked how the Bryant clean-up went. Mr. Grappe' stated that it was not as successful as it could have been. Mr. Grappe' stated that there were several locations of the bins located around Bryant.

Advertising Efforts: Mr. Grappe' stated that the Bryant Daily is an online publication that is primarily school related. Mr. Grappe' stated that we had 75,352 impressions and 192 clicks. Mr. Grappe' stated that we are making progress. Mr. Grappe' stated that we are also advertising in Saline County Lifestyles and Shopper Guide. Mr. Grappe' stated that we have been approached by Channel 4 and Fox 16. Mr. Grappe' stated that every year that they have the Balloon Fest at War Memorial and have asked us about being a sponsor for the event. Mr. Grappe' stated that the cost is about \$3,750 and we get 50 commercials, website, t-shirts, and will be on the talk show on the station that we choose. Mr. Grappe' asked the board if they would like to do that. Mr. Grappe' stated that he thinks it would be good for us because we are going to start commercials for our next venture and thinks that it's a very inexpensive way to get area exposure and for us to learn the things that we need to know. Mr. Grappe' stated that they have split the sponsorship between the two stations \$3,750 for either station. Mr. Grappe' stated that he has contacted the Pulaski District Carol Beavis and said that they declined the offer to be a sponsor. Ms. Dunn stated that we will be get 50 promos per station and also Facebook, name recognition at the event, the schedule that is handed out at the event, and email blast. Ms. Dunn stated that they are going to let us have Smarty at the event to walk around in the crowd and take pictures and also giving us a tent to pass out promotional items. Ms. Dunn stated that they are also going to allow us to be on the morning show with Smarty. Ms. Dunn stated that the event is going to be June 21st-23rd at War Memorial Stadium. Judge Fite made a motion to accept the advertising with the TV station. Mr. J.R. Walters seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition.

Impact Management Update: Mr. Grappe' stated that he sent out an email a couple of weeks ago about a polling company that is going to take numbers and find out who wants curbside recycling. Mr. Grappe' stated that the poll is done and that they are tabulating the numbers now and once all that is done he will send out for everyone to look at and talk about it.

Community Efforts: Mr. Grappe' stated that we did South Street clean-up with Benton Matters and will be doing Edison. Mr. Grappe' stated that we did Haskell and was by far one of the best clean-ups to date. Mr. Grappe' stated that there was excellent participation from the community as far as volunteers, very good location, and also had Rineco doing the Household Hazardous collection. Mr.

Grappe' stated that there was 130 yards of material collected between 8a-11a. Mr. Grappe' stated that there was 130 yards of trash, and burn barrels, 60 yards of metal, 30 yards of e-waste, and 20 yards of tires. Jim Erwin asked what the status is of the household hazardous waste program. Mr. Grappe' stated that there are two bids as of today one from Chemserve and Rineco. Mr. Grappe' stated that we have 13 Gaylords that are full of material and have had both companies come out and look and give us a price on how much it will cost to process it and maintain it. Mr. Grappe' stated that if we took the paint out that the cost would drop dramatically. Mr. Grappe' stated that the current cost for the 13 Gaylords is almost \$5,000. Judge Fite stated that they have been talking with Habitat for Humanity and with a paint chemist. Judge Fite stated that the paint chemist has volunteered to train them on how to separate, mix, and repackage. Judge Fite stated that they can sell that there at Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Grappe' stated that the problem is logistics and loss, once you bring the paint to us we can't take it anywhere because we aren't a DOT licensed hazardous waste hauler. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is trying to work around that issue and figure out how we can still collect it and take it to them or have them bring the paint to them or have Rineco pick it up. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is looking for a DOT hauler. Mr. Grappe' stated that we will collect it and take all the good paint to them. Mr. Grappe' stated that we will take it now but is still trying to figure out the best program and how much should we charge to process it. Mr. Grappe' stated that Pulaski District used to take everything but it got very expensive and they cut it back and no longer take paint. Mr. Grappe' stated that they will take gas, lighter fluid, and kerosene. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is trying to figure out how to offer all of the services to our people without costing them any money or if it is going to cost them should we offer it to them or just say we don't take that. Mr. Grappe' stated that we should offer it and do it responsibly. Mr. Jim Erwin asked the question if it's all paint. Ms. Marshall stated that we have a lot of propane and helium tanks and to dispose of one of those tanks it cost \$130. Ms. Marshall stated that with the Gaylord that we have now would cost about \$2,000 to dispose of that.

Recycle Center Labor Update: Mr. Grappe' stated that if you go out to the Recycle Center that there is a mountain of paper and currently there are 13 people working and sorting at the Recycle Center. Mr. Grappe' stated that we are going to a second shift and that Republic has approved it. Mr. Grappe' stated that first shift will be from 6a-2p and second shift will be 2p-10p. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is trying to keep from buying or renting two more balers. Mr. Grappe' stated that they have asked for three more balers to keep up. There was some general conversation about hours and amount of material. Mr. Grappe' stated that we are getting employees from Labor Finders. Mr. Grappe' stated that anyone is welcome to come out to the recycle center and look around but can't take pictures.

Engineering Updates: Mr. Grappe' stated that there are three engineering projects going on right now. The first one is Neeley Street. Mr. Grappe' stated that there is going to be a paved entrance and exit to the concrete pad so that we can re-locate the black boxes. Mr. Grappe' stated that he is reviewing the engineering package now for the relocation of black boxes to make it more convenient for the citizens to pull in and unload their recycled material. Mr. Grappe' stated that he has a second contract at Bishop Park and gave them a plan to talk to the park board. Mr. Grappe' stated that they are planning to pour a concrete slab for the black boxes with a privacy fence. Mr. Grappe' stated that because Bishop Park owns the land that they might have to have the contract for that and that is something that they are

working on. Mr. Grappe' stated that the last contract he is working on is the remodel for the office. Mr. Grappe' stated that he will move the wall about 7 feet from the front door and an entry door that will be isolated with a glass window.

District Zoning Updates: Mr. Grappe' stated that he isn't tied down on the District Zoning. Mr. Grappe' stated that when he did the polling that he had to make some changes to the zones to match the census data so that the numbers will be accurate. Mr. Grappe' stated that we are working to pull all that data and make it meaningful.

Miscellaneous: Mr. Grappe' stated that with this past legislative session there were several major pieces of legislation regarding Solid Waste Districts. Mr. Grappe' stated that ours was passed which is Act 316 that states that there are no more term limits and no more years associated with your positions as a board member, that you can serve at the discretion of the elected official as long as they are in office. Mr. Grappe' stated that Act 317 that there was one county who was a single county like us Mississippi County. Mr. Grappe' stated that they went from 50,000 to 45,000 and the old law stated that once you drop below 50,000 you had to merge with another District and now the law states that no matter how low you get that once you are a District you can stay an independent District. Mr. Grappe' stated that House Bill 1215 passed the Act number hasn't been made official yet. Mr. Grappe' stated that Bill 1215 was the bill where they were trying to take all the funding away from ADEQ. Mr. Grappe' stated that ADEQ received the grant funding and administrative funding from the landfill across the state. Mr. Grappe' stated that in our case our landfill sent approximately \$650,000 to ADEQ. Mr. Grappe' stated that ADEQ took 20% of that which is about \$180,000 last year and used that as their administrative fee for them managing our portion of the money. Mr. Grappe' stated that through a formula system they decided that out of the remaining money we received \$120,000. Mr. Grappe' stated that the County Judges got together and made up the bill and the bill was approved so next year that \$650,000 will come to us and 20% will go to ADEQ and then it will be our responsibility to take care of the remaining \$480,000 through regulations. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if they did that so that they can control ADEQ funding. Mr. Grappe' stated that ADEQ started out aggressively against because they didn't want to lose their 25% funding. Mr. Grappe' stated that at the end of the day they said that they will take the 20% and not have any responsibility and they will not oppose it. Judge Fite stated that the bottom line is that County Judges didn't want to fall under the rules and regulations of the State. Judge Fite stated that they wanted to be able to spend it the way they think it should be spent. Judge Fite stated that this will work well for our District but there might be some Districts that will have to pay that money back. Mr. Grappe' stated that if you take Grant County, Hot Springs, and Garland County for example, they don't have a class one landfill and they ship it all to Pulaski at Two Pines, so where is their income coming from. Mr. Grappe' stated that the way the formula is set up because we gave them \$650,000 to ADEQ through the formula they would make sure that Districts like South Central would get some money to help them with their recycling program. Mr. Grappe' stated that those programs have ended. Judge Fite stated that we will benefit. Mayor Arey stated that for those District's that have landfills it will not be good for them. Mr. Grappe' stated that if you are delinquent on paying your taxes that there was language included in the payment of delinquency with corporations now the Districts can

collect money as well through the tax sale. Mr. Grappe' stated that we had several defeats of Bills as well. Mr. Grappe' stated that several bills wanted to change how the rules and regulations, how we operate, the inter-local agreement they wanted to do away with, they wanted to make mandatory payments to Districts. Mr. Jim Erwin asked if it was more than one legislator that tried to push them through. Mr. Grappe' stated that it came all across the board this year. Mr. Grappe' stated that there were 17 Bills and everyone had their own issue. Mr. Jim Erwin stated that Kim Hammer was helpful with our Bill with the terms limits of Board members. Mr. Grappe' stated that Kim Hammer sponsored our Bill but was very influential in the others as well. Mr. Grappe' stated that a lot of it was territorial dispute. Dr. Don Brashears asked what bills that did not get that we fought for and lost. Mr. Grappe' stated that the only one that we did was Act 1215 and then got to the point where we became neutral on it and believe that one turned out to be good for us. Judge Fite stated that he gets to see a little more than other Board members as to what Mr. Grappe' does. Judge Fite stated that yesterday they went down to Little Rock and look where they are grinding tear off shingles and putting in asphalt. Judge Fite stated that we had talked about what size recycling carts can to use 65 or 95 and stated that Little Rock went with 65 and they are regretting it from what he understands. Judge Fite stated that Mr. Grappe' does a lot of things behind the scene that isn't really seen. Mr. Grappe' stated that we need to start talking about having public meetings for Curbside recycling and is strongly urging the Board to decide on when they want to do that. Mr. Jim Erwin asked when Mr. Grappe' would like to have those done by. Mr. Grappe' stated that the RFP was supposed to go out in June so we are cutting it close. Mr. Grappe' stated that he would like to sit down with the Chairman and pick out a couple of Dates and then pass it through the Board and decide on the dates. Mr. Jim Erwin stated that we need one for Benton, Bryant, and Haskell. Mayor Arey stated that he didn't think that they needed one in Haskell. Mayor Arey stated that there will definitely need to be one in Benton and Bryant and then asked Judge Fite if he thought that there was a need for one in the Village or in East End. Mayor Arey stated that East End isn't part of the first round and neither would Hot Springs Village so it would probably be Benton and Bryant. Mr. Gibson stated that just as a matter of receiving it would be a little more appropriate for the Board to delegate to the Chair and Executive Director the task of setting the hearings. Mr. Gibson said that it is fine to collaborate but is a little reluctant about agreeing in advance to make a decision by email. Mr. Jim Erwin made the motion to authorize the Chairman and Executive Director to set and determine the number and the places of the hearings for the RFP. Mr. J.R. Walters seconded the motion. All were in favor and motion passed with no opposition. Mr. Grappe' stated that he needs a 30 day notice once they get the dates down.

Old Business: There was no old business to report.

New Business: There was no new business to report.

Public Comments: Ms. Edwards stated that she forgot two things. Ms. Edwards stated that they are going to organize a one day asphalt symposium in Little Rock in October. Ms. Edwards stated that they will get all the County Judges together who will come and promote rubberized asphalt. Judge Fite stated that since he had that meeting he has been talking with Scott Bennett with the Highway Department. Judge Fite stated that they are concluding a study that they've done on this. Judge Fite stated that right now they will allow in the manufacturing of the by-products they will all allow them in

asphalt but do not allow the tear offs. Judge Fite stated that his suggestion to them is that all the Counties get state aid money and that they make this as an option in that. Judge Fite stated that you will probably see that this year. Ms. Edwards stated that the Tire Board meeting is on July 10th and would like to invite all that are interested in going. Ms. Edwards stated that she would like a representative from all of her RSWMD's be represented there in addition of the Board members. Ms. Edwards stated that the meeting will be at 11:00 on Wednesday July 10th. Ms. Edwards stated that hopefully before the meeting that they will get to meet over at Davis Rubber. Mr. Bob McKeon asked if Ms. Edwards could send a schedule to the office. Ms. Edwards stated that she will. Mr. Grappe' stated that he would like to introduce Ms. Lumpkin from Terracon the new Business Development. Mr. Grappe' stated that there are a lot of things that Terracon is doing in our District that isn't necessarily associated with us but it does affect us in some ways. Mr. Grappe' stated that they are working with the Bauxite water program, sewer treatment program with Republic and several other things like with the expansion. Mr. Grappe' stated that she has expressed interest in attending our Board meetings.

Mr. J.R. Walters made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. Mr. Bob McKeon seconded the motion. All were in favor and meeting adjourned.