

# Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District

## Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

### Present:

Chairman Jim Erwin, Judge Jeff Arey, Mayor Janie Lyman, Ms. Sheryl Childs, Representative J.R. Walters, Mr. Mark Ridgeway, Ms. Tiffany Dunn-Executive Director, Mr. Shane Knight-IDCO, Ms. Cathy DePelsMaeker-Office Manager, Ms. Jasmine Wooten- Intern, Mr. Sam Ed Gibson

### Absent:

Mr. Jordan Woolbright, CPA

Mr. Howard Gurley, Inter District Waste Tire Coordinator

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The Saline County Regional Solid Waste District regular board meeting was called to order at 2:00PM.

Upon review of the last meeting minutes, the board approved the minutes from the April 19, 2017 board meeting at 2:01PM.

### Financial Reports

Due to the absence of Mr. Jordan Woolbright (jury duty), Ms. Dunn presented the monthly Financial Reports for the months of April and May 2017. The board motioned and approved the monthly Financial Reports for April and May 2017.

### Inter-District Tire Update

Due to the absence of Mr. Howard Gurley (court appearance), Ms. Dunn offered year-to-date information and statistics about the Inter-District Tire Program.

Ms. Dunn and Officer Knight have been attending meetings concerning the Tire Program. There will be some adjustments to the Tire Program, and some modifications to the Regulations.

\*Chairman Jim Erwin attended the last tire Board meeting with Mr. Howard Gurley. Some concern was addressed at the meeting about the validity of the tire numbers which are being reported. One major concern is that the numbers are not computing properly. Second item of concern is that there is a large amount of receivables which have not been reconciled. Mr. Erwin also stated that he will be waiting for more accurate tire district numbers.

Chairman Erwin directed an inquiry about large earth tires in the County. Mr. Shane Knight stated that the only producers in our District would be companies like McGeorge.

### IDCO Update

Mr. Shane Knight offered information and statistics for YTD illegal dumping and burning. Mr. Knight highlighted that he has begun compiling documentation for the 2018 permitting process. He also added that the district has 29 licensed trash haulers in the district, which is the most in the state of Arkansas.

Ms. Sheryl Childs questioned why there are so many licensed haulers in Saline County, and Mr. Knight stated that Saline County does not have a consolidation of waste services. Therefore, it is more of an open market.

Mr. Knight also offered information about the district's Litter Control Plan, which had contributions from the Saline County OEM Director. Judge Jeff Arey added that complaints are largely about the roads not getting cleaned up quick enough to clean in those areas. Current crews spend about 2-3 days picking up trash on roadways. Chairman Jim Erwin asked about obtaining signage for roadways stating the fines for littering. Answered his inquiry and stated that signage would come from the Arkansas Transportation Department.

Mr. Knight also stated that another chief complaint from county residents is the issue with the doors not closing on Republic Services' garbage trucks. He will be addressing this issue with a representative from Republic Services soon.

Chairman Erwin discussed the disheartening issue with the utilization of temporary trash dumpsters in Bryant for residents who needed to get rid of flood damaged items. Unfortunately, people who did not have flood damage ended up using the bins for their own personal trash.

### Marketing/Education/ Executive Director Update

- Executive Director Tiffany Dunn stated that the ReFashion Bash 2017 was a huge success and the best year yet. In the middle school category there was a 3-way tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, which shows that the schoolchildren are getting more advanced in their fashion skills! Additionally, promotion for the event has increased with TV and Radio, and event planning is already underway for 2018.
- Website- development and design is almost completed, and we are now waiting on the publishing group. Timeline has been adjusted due to some delay issues.
- ADEQ ENVY Nomination- It was great, Recycle Saline was a nominee and recognized with larger organizations. Goodwill Industries won the honor this year.
- Chairman Jim Erwin expressed appreciation for Ms. Dunn attending and participation in the Saline County Leadership class.
- Ms. Dunn offered information for the 2017 Landfill Coupon Program and the YTD Recycle Report. One particular item to note is the increase in e-waste that is being reported. This is due to our partnership with Habitat for Humanity and monthly e-waste collection events at Bishop Park. Also, Recycle Saline conducted 5 collection events for the spring season, and there will be another event in October at Hot Springs Village, and our last drop off event for the year is scheduled for October 14<sup>th</sup> at the fairgrounds that included Household Hazardous Waste

### Old Business

- a) Records Retention Program- Scanning is proceeding well, with all documents being saved to the desktop and to the cloud via Crash Plan Pro. A discussion of additional e-storage for records retention was held.
- b) Yard Debris Program @ Landfill- A program cost analysis was performed, and for this year, program expenditures are estimated to be approximately \$134,000. To date \$56,000 has already been spent on the program. About 70% of the cost of this program is coming from non-residential/ commercial haulers taking advantage of this residential program. Therefore, the district is investigating other options/alternatives to the free program. More stringent measures may need to be implemented to alleviate costs. In the meantime, a sign-in sheet

will be utilized at the landfill for tracking purposes. Mr. Shane Knight alerted the board about how many landscaping companies are compromising the yard debris program when they go to the landfill. Ms. Dunn offered a quick timeline for rolling out a new Yard Debris Program for residents of Saline County. District counsel, Mr. Sam Ed Gibson stated that the district has the power and authority according to procedural rules to ask for state ID when dropping off yard debris. And we do have regulatory authority to ask this of Republic Services, should we desire to ask this of program participants. Mr. Gibson stated that no motion is required to instigate the usage of a sign in sheet at the landfill. This measure may help maintain the integrity of the yard debris program as well. Ms. Dunn would like to present to the board at the August meeting, a timeline to propose the new Yard Debris program. If the Board likes the proposal, a special meeting will be held on the last Wednesday in September.

At 2:59 the Board motioned and approved adjourning the meeting.