

Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, February 16th, 2022

Present:

Chairman Jim Erwin, Tiffany Dunn-Executive Director, Hunter Schelle- Environmental Enforcement Officer, Jennifer Hill, Attorney Sam Ed Gibson, Judge Jeff Arey, Mayor Paul Mitchell, Toby Hirscheider.

Absent- JR Walters, Leslie Morris

Call to Order and Sign In

The Saline County Regional Solid Waste Management District Regular Board meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Jim Erwin at the Benton City Hall Council Chambers located at 114 South East Street in Benton, Arkansas.

1. Review and Approval of Minutes from December 15th, 2021, Meeting

Chairman Erwin ask if there is any discussion concerning the minutes from December 15th, 2021. There is a motion for approval of the minutes made by Jennifer Hill and seconded by Mayor Paul Mitchell. Motion passed. All approve.

2. Review of Financials from December 2021, January 2022: Jordan Woolbright

Mr. Woolbright reports to the Board the beginning Total Cash and Cash Equivalents of the Bank Account Summary for December 2021 was \$5,343,047.38 and the ending of the month was \$5,275,182.90. Page 2 is the Operations Detail Report that list the totals for December of \$49,816.20 and Page three 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 December which is \$19,087. Page 5 supports the figures for the line items of Grant monies spent for December 2021.

Mr. Woolbright reports the start of January 2022 Total Cash and Cash Equivalents was \$5,275,182.90 and the ending balance was \$5,231,006.89. Page 2 is the Operations Detail Report for the month of January that has the totals of expenditures of \$35,241.28 and Page 3 gives the details for those transactions for the month of January. Page 4 is the Grant report for the month of January with a total spent of \$6,775. Page 5 is the listing of the Account Transactions for the month of January 2022.

Motion to approve by Mayor Paul Mitchell, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Hill, all in favor to approve.

3. Inter-District Tire Update: Leslie Morris

Ms. Dunn informs the board that Mrs. Leslie Morris was unable to attend today's board meeting, but that she would be filling in for Mrs. Morris. Ms. Dunn explains to the board that the new report is in their board packet booklets. She states that one thing she would like to point out at this meeting would be the number of tires that have been processed for the year of 2021 which totals to 884,807 tires which is split between 5 counties.

4. Environmental Enforcement Update-Hunter Schelle

Officer Schelle explains to the board that over this reporting period there had been 11 cases worked with a total of 0 open cases. He also states that there have been 889 tires with three manifests that have been collected at the landfill. Officer Schelle explains that there was a total of 13 illegally dumped tires as well as 0.75 tons or 1,500 lbs. that have been disposed of. Officer Schelle explains for the year of 2021 there was a total of 292 illegally dumped tires and a total of 111,745 lbs. cleaned up through the county with a total of 67 cases worked. Officer Schelle adds into additional notes that there has been a total of 34 out of 36 Waste Haulers that are fully permitted for the 2022 year, and the last two are currently waiting on their tax forms to be returned to get them finished up.

5. Executive Director Update: Tiffany Dunn

a.) Marketing and Education Report

Ms. Dunn informs that there are a few things that she would like to go over with them. She explains that the YEA! Team celebration was last Thursday, there were a total of 315 students that RSVP and had a total of 220 show up along with their plus ones. Ms. Dunn informs the board that the celebration went great, and all the students received their certificates, as well as she was able to award the YEA! Team Teacher of the Year as well as the YEA! Team students of the year. Ms. Dunn also states that we were able to hold the Recycled Art Contest at the event as well as announce the winner of the contest. Ms. Dunn also explains that we did host our first HHW event for the 2022 year that went well, there were approximately 41 coupons sold with a total of 19 redeemed at the event. She informs the board that the next event will be held on April 2nd, 2022, that we will be hosting a CTS Services on River Street and we will have a HHW drop off as well as E-Waste, Paper Shredding, and a tire drop off.

b.) Landfill Coupon Program

Ms. Dunn relays to the board that a total of 1,016 coupons have been sold this year and that is 508 homes that have received coupons. Of the 1,016 coupons sold there has been a 21% redeemed rate at the landfill from coupons that have been sold this year. Ms. Dunn reports that there has been \$5,080.00 collected from coupon sales for the year. Ms. Dunn also reports that there have been 172,980 pounds disposed at the landfill using the coupons.

c.) Recycling Report

Ms. Dunn informs the board that during the 2021 year there was a total of 213,298 pounds of recycling collected. She explains that so far, we have collected 1,030 pounds of paper and cardboard from our non-profits. Ms. Dunn informs the board that there has been 3,828 pounds collected of E-waste, and that there has been 3,030 pounds of paper and cardboard collected from our schools. Ms. Dunn explains to the board with these totals, that makes the total amount recycled for the year 7,888 pounds.

6. New Business

Ms. Dunn informs the board of New Business that consists of the adjustments to the current Waste Hauler Licensing Update. She explains that we had currently discussed this in our previous Board Meeting of making the change to require the Arkansas Sales Tax Permit for the process which would

then replace the Tax Clearance Letter that we receive from DF&A. Attorney Sam Ed Gibson then explains to do so, the minutes must reflect the movement and approval in changing the rule 22.202 regarding the requirements for Solid Waste Hauler Licenses and Vehicle Permits.

Attorney Sam Ed Gibson states I move that the SCRSWMD Board declare its intention to adopt its Rule 22.202 Regarding Requirements for Solid Waste Hauler Licenses and Vehicle Permits as amended in the words exhibited to the Board in the open meeting on February 16th 2022 and to that the Executive Director and the Attorney for the Board be authorized and directed to publish the proper notices to open a period of public comment on the proposed amendments to the rule to schedule a public hearing for 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 20th, 2022, just preceding the regularly scheduled Board Meeting and to prepare the appropriated Resolution for formal adoption of the said rule amended.

Motion to approve, Ms. Jennifer Hill, Seconded by Judge Jeff Arey. All Approve.

7. Old Business

Ms. Dunn informs the board that we are currently in the process of closing on the new property located at 520 Edison, and that we are working with First National Title Company. They will have Mr. Jared Hambrick working with us on the process of getting everything taken care of. Ms. Dunn explains to the Board that we are currently working on finding an architect that can do the drawing of the additions needing to be added to the current office that is there. Once we have these obtained, we will then be able to complete an RFQ for pre-construction as well as construction of the building. Ms. Dunn also explains to the board that the lease on our current office may have to be extended due to building delays with the new Jones Heating and Air building but once we retain ownership of the building Jones Heating and Air will pay us rent in the sum of \$1,260.00 that will cover our rent at our current office until their moving process is complete.

8. Public Comments

Ms. Dunn would like to add into the public comment that on February 28th of this year she will be celebrating ten years of being with the Saline County Solid Waste District.

Motion made to adjourn by Jim Erwin and seconded by Jennifer Hill.
Motion passed.