

MINUTES – Region M Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.
Newman Innovation Center, Downstairs Conference Room
407 S Pennsylvania Ave – Joplin, MO 64801

Members of Executive Board in Attendance:

Joe Hardin, Chairperson – Vernon County
Tom Short, Secretary/Treasurer – Cities of Jasper Co
Rauni Brown – Cities of Vernon County

John Bunch – McDonald County
Keenan Cortez – City of Joplin
Ira Hawkins – Cities of Newton County

Board Members Absent:

Alan Cook – Newton County
John Bartosh – Jasper County

Mike Davis – Barton County
Lewis Davis – Cities of McDonald County
Russ Worsley – Cities of Barton County

Others in Attendance:

Patty Overman – Region M Waste Management
Weston Rea – Weston’s Tax and Accounting

Kirra Antrobus – Service Recycling
Josh Gilmore – Noble Earth Recovery
Luke Westerman – Computer Recycling Center

Executive Board Meeting Call to Order: Mr. Tom Short, Secretary/Treasurer, called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m.

Approval of October 22, 2020 Agenda: Motion by Mr. Bunch – approve and accept meeting agenda as presented. Mr. Cortez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of September 15, 2020 Minutes: Motion by Mr. Cortez – approve and accept the meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Bunch seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Financial Reports ending September 30, 2020: Mr. Rea gave a brief report and presented balances, a check register and interest earned for the period ending September 30, 2020. Motion by Mr. Cortez – approve and accept the financial report as presented. Mr. Bunch seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Program Update: Ms. Overman gave an update to the board regarding recent events and items of interest including the following – community collection and recycling events, education grants, and the SWAB annual report.

Status of Open Projects: Patty Overman gave a status report of open grants. Ms. Overman informed the board all FY2020 and FY2021 grantees have turned in quarterly status reports to be entered into Re-Trac. Purchases and reimbursement procedures are being done according to DNR’s procurement process. Overall, everything is going well.

MDNR Performance Audit Finding: Ms. Overman informed the Board of the finding regarding the Missouri Sunshine Law and presented a response letter and proposed policy regarding the custodian of records. Motion by Mr. Bunch – adopt the policy presented regarding the release of information on any meeting, record, or vote according to the Missouri Sunshine Law Requirements. Mr. Cortez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

JACC Foundation Lease: Ms. Overman presented an amendment to the current office space lease. Motion by Mr. Hawkins – approve rate increase beginning January 1, 2021 as noted in the lease agreement in the amount of \$6.00 per month. Mr. Bunch seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

FY2022 Application and Scoring Process: Ms. Overman presented documents including a proposed scoresheet, a proposed scoring committee, and language regarding minimum points/criteria for funding. After review, there was a discussion and the Board decided to table this until the November 2020 meeting. There was no vote or approval for these proposed items –

- Minimum Points Criteria for Funding
- FY2022 Scoresheet
- FY2022 Scoring Committee

M2021-002_1 Plan Implementation/Educational: The City of Bronaugh submitted an application for funding. After review by the board, it was agreed upon as a beneficial project. Motion by Mr. Bunch – approve request for funding to the City of Bronaugh in the amount of \$1,442.08 for the purchase of an outdoor Message Center to be used for public information and recycling education. Mr. Cortez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Josh Gilmore from Noble Earth Recovery invited the board and others in attendance to a Ribbon Cutting which would be held the following day at his facility in Joplin, MO.

Set Next Meeting: Next scheduled Region M Executive Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at the Newman Innovation Center, downstairs conference room.

Adjourn: Motion by Mr. Cortez – adjourn Region M Executive Board Meeting. Mr. Bunch seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Hardin adjourned the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

This meeting was open to the public in accordance with the Missouri Sunshine Law. Copies of the notice and other information may be requested by contacting Patty Overman, Region M Waste Management District, 407 S Pennsylvania Ave., Ste. 203, Joplin MO 64801 or by emailing patty@regionm.org