



## **MINUTES – Region M Executive Board Meeting**

Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.

Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity. – 5201 N Main Street, Joplin, MO 64801

*The open meeting notice was posted at 9:00 am on October 19, 2021 and was open to the public in accordance with the Missouri Sunshine Law. News media representatives and interested parties may obtain copies of this notice and other information by contacting Patty Overman, Region M Waste Management District, 407 S Pennsylvania Ave., Ste. 203, Joplin MO 64801, by calling (417)625-6626, or email [patty@regionm.org](mailto:patty@regionm.org)*

### **Members of Executive Board in Attendance:**

Joe Hardin, Chairperson – Vernon County

Tom Short, Secretary/Treasurer – Cities of Jasper County

Rauni Brown – Cities of Vernon County

Keenan Cortez – City of Joplin

Ira Hawkins – Cities of Newton County

Russ Worsley – Cities of Barton County

### **Board Members Absent:**

John Bartosh – Jasper County

Alan Cook – Newton County

Jamey Cope – McDonald County

Mike Davis – Barton County

Terry Lance – Cities of McDonald County

### **Others in Attendance:**

Patty Overman, District Planner – Region M Waste Management

Luke Westerman, Advisory Committee – Computer Recycling Center

Jennifer Fagan, Advisory Committee – Republic Services

Kirra Antrobus – Service Recycling

Lindsey James – City of Joplin

Josh Gilmore – Noble Earth Recovery

Wesley Ritter – Ritter Industries

Scott Clayton – Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity

**Executive Board Meeting Call to Order:** Mr. Joe Hardin, Chairperson of the Region M Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

**Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity:** Scott Clayton, Executive Director of Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity., gave a brief description of the programs and partnerships they have, along with several projects they're working on; followed by a tour of the ReStore facility.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Mr. Worsley – approve and accept meeting agenda dated October 20, 2021, as presented. Mr. Cortez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Short – approve and accept the meeting minutes dated September 15, 2021. Mr. Worsley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.



**Review and Approval of Financial Reports:** Patty Overman gave a brief report and presented balances, a check register, and interest earned for the period ending September 30, 2021. Motion by Mr. Cortez – approve and accept the financial report as presented. Mr. Worsley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Program Update:** Ms. Overman gave an update to the board regarding recent and upcoming community collection events, the MORA Annual Conference, SWAB Annual Report, District/Planner Comparison Document, PSI and potential paint legislation, and Becca Vernon stepping into the role of Unit Chief at MDNR.

**Status of Open Projects:** There are four projects open for FY2021, scheduled to close out at the end of this calendar year. All FY2022 projects have started and are going well, and all quarterly status reports have been received.

**FY2023 Grant Round:** Ms. Overman presented documents from the previous grant round for the Board to review. These items included instructions and timeline, public notice, FY2022 application, and the most recent scoresheet. There was a brief discussion regarding the review committee grading the applications again this year and coming up with the aggregate ranking for the Board to use when allocating the funding. It was agreed that the Advisory Committee review these items and present FY2023 documents for approval at the next Board meeting.

**M2022-002\_3 Missouri Southern State University:** Motion by Mr. Worsley – approval of Education Grant in the amount of \$3,000.00 to be used as a sponsorship for their Earth Day Community Event. Mr. Short seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** There were none.

**Set Next Meeting:** Next scheduled Region M Executive Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 – 10:30 a.m., tentatively scheduled to be held at the Newman Innovation Center at 407 S Pennsylvania Ave. in Joplin, MO.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Mr. Worsley – adjourn Region M Executive Board Meeting. Mr. Cortez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Hardin adjourned the meeting at 11:44 am.

*This meeting was held in person with a virtual/zoom option.*