



MINUTES – Region M Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.
1801 W 32nd Street, Joplin, MO 64804 – Upstairs Conference Room

The open meeting notice was posted at 9:00 a.m. on July 17, 2023, 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, 1801 West 32nd Street, Ste. C-212, Joplin MO 64804, by calling (417)317-5021, or email patty@regionm.org

Members of Region M Executive Board (Strikethrough if not in attendance)

<i>Chairperson</i>	Jamey Cope	McDonald County	John Bunch	Cities of McDonald County
<i>Vice Chairperson</i>	Alan Cook	Newton County	Nate Siler	Cities of Newton County
<i>Treasurer</i>	John Bartosh	Jasper County	Greg Dagnan	Cities of Jasper County
	David Johnson	Barton County	Russ Worsley	Cities of Barton County
	Everett Wolfe	Vernon County	Rauni Brown	Cities of Vernon County
			Keenan Cortez	City of Joplin

Others in Attendance

Patty Overman, District Administrator
Jamie Arnall, City of Granby, Region M Advisory Committee
Scott Patterson, City of Joplin
Wesley Ritter, Ritter Industries

Executive Board Meeting Call to Order: Mr. Jamey Cope, Chairperson of the Region M Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

Introductions: Chairperson Cope introduced himself and asked everyone to give their name and which organization they represent.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Bartosh – approve and accept meeting agenda dated September 19, 2023, as presented. Mr. Worsley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion by Mr. Bunch – approve and accept the meeting minutes dated July 18, 2023. Mr. Cortez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Financial Update: In Weston Rea’s absence, Patty Overman presented financial reports to the board which included bank balances, FY2024 project balances, interest earned, and expenses for the month of August 2023. Motion by Mr. Cortez– accept and approve the financial report for the period ending August 31, 2023, as presented. Mr. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.



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Program Update: Patty Overman gave an update of tasks and activities since the last meeting.

FY2024 – Tonnage diversion numbers will be reflected in next month's update since quarterly reports will have been received at that point. MACO Creations has purchased his equipment and been reimbursed, less the 20% retainage fee.

FY2025 – Advisory Committee will meet prior to the next meeting to review all documents and make any recommendations for the next grant round.

Community Collection Events – Fall collection events have been schedule for Jasper County in Sarcoxie and Duquesne, and Vernon County in Nevada.

Solid Waste Advisory Board – Officers have been elected, naming Lelande Rehard as Chairperson and Erick Roberts as Vice-Chairperson.

Monthly District Meeting – Overman has been asked/tasked with assisting in engaging interest and seeking project/program spotlights and presentations.

DNR – New Waste Management Program Director, Charlene Fitch mentioned her priority is filling all vacant staffing positions.

District L Lawsuit – Still under appeal.

Industry Conferences – Attended Resource Recycling in August in Orlando with funding provided through a grant from the Steve Thompson Memorial Fund.

Funding Opportunities – Several letters of support were written for the following applications: USDA, City of Neosho; Glass Recycling Foundation, Ritter Industries; Scrap Tire Surface Material Grants/DNR, Jasper School District, Carthage Parks and Recreation, Economic Security Early Head Start, and City of Joplin.

Grantee Requests:

M2024-004 Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity Motion by Mr. Cortez – modify budget and scope of work, using the available balance of \$35,377.19 to purchase a truck/collection vehicle. Mr. Cope seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comments: There were none.

Set Next Meeting: Meeting was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. location to be determined.

Adjourn: Motion by Mr. Bunch – adjourn Region M Executive Board Meeting. Mr. Cortez seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Cortez adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.