



MINUTES – Region M Executive Board Meeting

Thursday January 15, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.
Region M Office Building – 1801 W 32nd Street, Joplin, MO 64804

The open meeting notice was posted at 10:00 a.m. on January 12, 2026, 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-214, 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	Kellie Inmon	Cities of McDonald County
<i>Vice Chair</i>	Kirra Antrobus	Cities of Jasper County	David Johnson	Barton County
<i>Treasurer</i>	John Bartosh	Jasper County	Mark Knight	Newton County
	Joshua Bard	City of Joplin	Lawna Price	Cities of Newton County
	Tammy Goodwin	Cities of Vernon County	Rusty Rives	Cities of Barton County
			Joe Wilson	Vernon County

Others in Attendance

Patty Overman, Region M
Wesley Ritter, Ritter Industries
Scott Patterson, City of Joplin
Josh Gilmore, Noble Earth Recovery

Executive Board Meeting Call to Order: Mr. Jamey Cope, Chairperson of the Region M Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

Roll Call and Introductions: Around the room and virtually through Zoom, all attendees introduced themselves and included which organization they represent.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Bartosh – approve and accept meeting agenda dated January 15, 2026. Mr. Knight seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mrs. Antrobus – approve and accept minutes for meeting Board Meeting on December 11, 2025 as presented. Mrs. Price seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Patty Overman gave a summary of financial position for the period ending December 31, 2026, including bank account balances, expenses paid, and interest earned. Motion by Mr. Bartosh – accept the financial report as presented. Mrs. Price seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Program Update: Patty Overman gave a presentation on some recent and upcoming activities and tasks.



DNR (Department of Natural Resources) / SWAB (Missouri Solid Waste Advisory Board)

- New Reporting System started December 21, 2025
- 10CSR 80 – no update. Staff believe this is not a priority for them.
- Scrap Tire Fund – there were no applicants. The criteria were difficult for applicants.
- Next Meeting February 3, 2026

Legislation of Interest – for informational purposes

- HB2761 Modifies regs for SWMDs
- HB2162 Paint Care
- SB917 Paint Care
- SB1210 Battery Recycling

Solid Waste Advisory Board

Legislative field trip is scheduled for February 4, 2026.

Missouri Recycling Association

Annual conference is scheduled for April 27-29, 2026 in Springfield, MO at University Plaza.

Collection Events

- a. Sarcoxie – March 28th
- b. Nevada – April 18th
- c. Duquesne – May 9th
- d. Lamar – May 30th
- e. Anything for the Fall has been cancelled and/or on-hold pending legislation.

Open Projects Update: Tonnage reported for the first half of FY2026 is 2186.94.

FY2027 Grant Round:

The public notice has been posted in all five county newspapers, email and mail notifications have been sent. Interested applicants are participating in a workshop; one of four that have been scheduled for Wednesdays in January. Applications are due February 20, 2026 by noon to be considered eligible for funding.

Grantee Requests:

Motion by Mr. Bartosh – modify budget for Ritter Industries M2026-014, reducing the line item Hammermill by \$750.00 and creating a new line item to purchase rotating forks in the amount of \$750.00. This does not increase or decrease the total budget amount previously approved. Mrs. Inmon seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comments: There were none.

Set Next Meeting: The next board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, February 19, 2026.

Adjourn: Motion by Mr. Bartosh – adjourn Region M Executive Board Meeting. Mr. Knight seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Cope adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.