

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Hot Springs, Arkansas

The meeting of the Southwest Central Regional Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, in person and by teleconference in Hot Springs. Judge Troy Tucker called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m.

Present: There were four (4) members present:
Judge Tucker, Judge Mahoney, Gary Brinkley, Mayor Weldon,

Members Absent: Mayor Thomerson, Judge Thornton, Mr. Bill Burrough

Guests: Dan Turner, Jerry Coleman (Republic), Michael Winkle (Republic),
Amanda Jones (CHS)

News Media: N/A

Staff: ~~OBJ~~ Joyelle Rosamond, Kristen Lancaster, Derrick Harris, Billy Sawyer

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes for the January 20, 2023, Hybrid Meeting: Meeting minutes needed to be approved. Judge Mahoney made the **motion**; this was seconded by Mayor Weldon and carried unanimously.

Financial Report:

Financials needed to be approved. Kristen Lancaster provided an update on financials and bills that are currently due. Judge Mahoney made the **motion**. The motion was seconded by Gary Brinkley and carried unanimously.

ADEQ Update:

No update

Tire Recycling Update:

Leslie was not present. No update provided.

Report From Recycling Advisory Committee-Billy Sawyer:

Sawyer reported the dates for the Spring Fling have been set for April 29th and May 30th. The dates for the HHW events are set for May 20th and October 14th. All the dates have been approved by the Fair Board.

Staff Report:

Kristen Lancaster announced she is leaving WCAPDD, Inc. and introduced Derrick Harris as her replacement. She has notified Arkansas Association of Solid Waste Management District that she will be resigning her position as secretary. Lancaster also stated that Payton's bill is coming out today and she will send it to the board.

Chair Report:

No report.

Old Business:

- a. SWCRSWD Insurance – Lancaster reported that insurance companies are requiring that a depreciation value of equipment be verified. This is causing difficulty since it is almost impossible to obtain. Judge Mahoney requested a list of assets be emailed to the board members. Lancaster stated she will get this list emailed to each of the board members so they can have values of equipment at the next board meeting.

- b. Recycling Grants – Lancaster reported that one reimbursement has been sent out. School Recycling is \$9,000. Hot Springs County is completed. Arkadelphia, Gurdon, Clark County, Malvern, Hot Springs, and Garland County still have their recycling reimbursements available.
- c. Tire Recycling Update – Lancaster reported that the Association Chair spoke with WSG on March 7th. The report is that the bill will be updated to contain definitions on large and x-large tires to stay the same. X-large tires will be \$30 at point of sale; large tires will be \$7.50 at point of sale, and small tires at \$3.00 at point of sale. This bill will put “teeth” in the law. Lancaster also stated that the eleven districts will be consolidated into only four. Each district will be required to have its own tire processor.
- d. E-Waste- The e-waste program has not been launched due to a standstill with the bill.

New Business:

- a. Esco Contract Renewal: Judge Mahoney made a **motion** to renew the contract subject to the terms of the last renewal. The motion was seconded by Mayor Weldon and passed unanimously.
- b. Regional Needs Assessment: Lancaster informed the board that the State requires a Regional Needs Assessment every 4 years. No deadline has been given. The State had said that there would be a template provided for the needs assessment; however, at the time of this meeting Lancaster had not received a template. Lancaster also stated that many of the districts hire a contractor to perform the assessment. Judge Tucker stated he will reach out to Terracon for a quote on what they would change to do the assessment for the district.
- c. Republic: Michael Winkle, Republic Operations Supervisor and Terry Coleman, Republic General Manager addressed concerns the board has over the space issues issue at the landfill site. After some discussion, the board and the Republic representatives decided that CB radios for district truck drivers and for the Republic employees could improve upon many of the current issues they face. Also, it was determined that the trucks should have the identifying number on both the front and back for easy identification.

Adjournment

Judge Mahoney made a **motion** to adjourn, this was seconded by Mayor Weldon and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Troy Tucker, Vice-Chairman

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