

East Central Solid Waste Management District – Region I
Full Council Annual Meeting Minutes
First State Community Bank, 1022 State Highway 47, Warrenton, Missouri
Tuesday, November 16, 2021 - 12:00 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the desire to allow for social distancing, the meeting was held at the First State Community Bank with the following individuals present:

Ryan Ruckel, Lincoln County	Stephanie Norton, Franklin County EMA	Marie Schneider, City of Jonesburg
Jim Schuckmann, Wright City	David Lange, City of Marthasville	Elsa Smith Fernandez, City of Truesdale
Adell Jonas, City of New Florence	Megan Nutt, City of New Florence	Julie Ingola, Toyota
James Schmieder, City of Union	Brandie Walters, City of Warrenton	Patrick Flannigan, City of Moscow Mills
Matt Flake, Warren County	Fred Vahle, Warren County	Lon Little, Montgomery County
Steven Deves, Montgomery City (via videoconference)		

Chad Eggen, BRPC
Kim Meyer, BRPC

Chuck Eichmeyer, BRPC

Jane Cale, BRPC

Call to Order

Following the meal, Chairman Lon Little called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

Approval of Agenda

Jim Schuchmann made a motion to approve the agenda. James Schmieder seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Stephanie Norton made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 7, 2020, Region I Full Council Annual Meeting. Patrick Flannigan seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Approval of Financial Reports

Planner Chad Eggen presented the financial report, and upon review, a mistake was noticed. BRPC Fiscal Officer Kim Meyer looked at the document and was able to determine the correction necessary. Jim Schuchmann made a motion to approve the financials with the needed corrections and the requirement that the revised financials along with the explanation paperwork be sent out. David Lange seconded the motion. Approved unanimously. **NOTE:** The corrected financials were sent out by Planner Eggen after the meeting. Both the original and the revised copy are attached.

Membership Dues

Jim Schuchmann made a motion to follow the recommendation of the Region I Executive Board and maintain membership dues at the current level which is 73% of the amount outlined in the bylaws. Steven Deves seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Guest Speaker

The guest presenter for the event (via Zoom videoconference) was Jeffrey Brown of BrandBuilders LLC. Organics make up 30% of the waste stream. Mr. Brown spoke about the importance of diverting this material from landfills and shared information about how his company has worked with several communities in the St. Louis area to promote organics waste collection. He had sent an example of a composter that can be used to convert kitchen and garden waste into "black soil". This compost can then be used in growing healthy plants.

Mr. Brown shared his website which contains educational videos, and his contact information should any local government be interested in working with his company on establishing an organics waste collection program in their community.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Lon Little thanked all who participate in the Region I Solid Waste Management District.

Planner's Report

District Planner Chad Eggen highlighted some of the activities of the Region I SWMD including the following:

- The East Central Missouri Recycling Center has diverted more than 3,050 tons of material since opening.
- Improvements, including new fencing and storage containers were made at the recycling center. Chad thanked Warren County for their assistance with these improvements.
- An educational display was placed at the recycling center during the week of Earth Day.
- Staff sent out information and placed a link on the District's website to pharmaceutical take-back and safe disposal locations in Missouri.
- Through sending out newsletters and putting information on the website, staff got word out about a Missouri DNR free pesticide collection which was held in Marthasville on September 25, 2021. It was a successful event with 82 participants and 12,419 lbs. of material collected. C.J. Plassmeyer, who works with the DNR Pesticide Collection Program shared, "The collection was very successful with the most participants ever at any one event. Thanks for all your help spreading the word for this event."

Announcements

The Region I SWMD FY2023 grant call will be going out, with applications due December 31, 2021.

With no other business to conduct, David Lange made a motion to adjourn. James Schmieder seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: _____

Chairman: _____

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