

**OZARK RIVERS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
FULL COUNCIL BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.  
MRPC Building - 4 Industrial Drive  
St. James, MO 65559**

**Call to Order**

Brady Wilson called the June 13, 2017 meeting of the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District Full Council Meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

**Members Present:** Ray Mortimeyer, Steve Vogt, Ray Schwartze, Brady Wilson, Jay Whittaker, Doug Montgomery, Bill Bennett, Anne McClay, and Darrell Skiles.

**Members Absent:** Dennis Watz, Brad Nash, John Kamler, Larry Miskel, Jim Holland, Doug Drewel, Paul Smith, Luge Hardman, Craig French, Marvin Wright, Arthur Cook, Don Theberge, Cody Brinley, Gary Gilliam, Zach Shepherd, Dave Watkins, Gary Larson and Gary Hicks.

**Staff and Guests Present:** Tammy Snodgrass, Jill Hollowell, Linda Loughridge, Linda Carroll, and Caitlin Jones, and Greg Stratman.

**Approval of Agenda**

Ray Mortimeyer made a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting. Jay Whittaker seconded the motion. All present voted "aye."

**Approval of Minutes**

Ray Mortimeyer made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2016 Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District Full Council meeting. Jay Whittaker seconded the motion. All present voted "aye."

**Finance/Budget Report**

Linda Loughridge presented the financials for both ORSWMD operating and grants for the month ending May 31, 2017. Ray Schwartze made a motion to approve the financials. Ray Mortimeyer seconded the motion. All present voted "aye."

Ms. Loughridge also presented the budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year noting that the executive board had already approved the budget.

**Chairman's Report**

Brady Wilson reported that there hasn't been a lot of movement at the state level. He informed the committee that he plans to attend the Glass Recycling Summit in Kansas City to learn something to help with glass recycling in Rolla. One of the biggest concerns he noted with recycling glass is contamination.

Chairman Wilson also informed the committee that he will be attending the MORA Conference.

He noted that Hartmann, a manufacturer of egg cartons in Rolla, should be starting up production within days and that Rolla Recycling Center would be selling paper to them for use in manufacturing the cartons.

**Old Business**

Jill Hollowell reported that 136 grants totaling \$2.4 million have been awarded since 2007. Most of the grants have been for starting up recycling programs, for special collections, illegal dump cleanups and community assistance. It was also noted that there have been 46 special collections since 2003. Copies of the 2018 Grant Packet were provided to those in attendance.

Ms. Hollowell reported that there are now two surveillance cameras available. Cameras were recently placed in two areas: a woody debris area in St. James and a location in Pulaski County. The Pulaski County location came from a referral from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

She noted that in 2017 there were 15 schools that participated in Earth Day and that the participants in the poster and trash art contest average 800 students per year.

In addition, Ms. Hollowell stated that 1800 students participated in field trips to landfills or transfer stations.

### **New Business and Other Business**

Caitlin Jones, MRPC, unveiled the Ozark Rivers website for the council. She explained what type of information could be found on the site and how the information was organized. Ms. Jones noted that the website is updated to remain as current as possible.

Ms. Jones also unveiled the Ozark Rivers Facebook page which was launched mid-April. She reported that the Rolla Special Collection posting on Facebook was seen by over 1,200 viewers.

Tammy Snodgrass stated that Ms. Jones had worked hard on the website and Facebook site and that she was very proud of how they had turned out. Chairman Wilson and other committee members complimented her on the sites and thanked her for her social media efforts.

Jill Hollowell provided a Calendar of Upcoming Events and Opportunities. She noted that the calendar is really targeting the reporters who attend the city and county meetings and asked members to promote these events. A new event she highlighted was Missouri Recycles Week as opposed to the annual one day event. Ms. Hollowell noted that this calendar is being mailed to the city and county clerks.

Ms. Hollowell also passed out Annual Disclosure forms and members completed the forms.

### **Legislation Report**

Ms. Snodgrass reported that there hasn't been a lot of movement in the legislature. There was legislation passed to ban the ban on plastic bags.

Other areas she touched on included:

- A group in Branson that feels like they should be receiving more funding; all of their suggestions would result in a reduction of District K funding.
- There is a move to force solid waste districts to fund the remediation of old landfills.
- Term limits have resulted in a lot more time spent educating legislators. New folks coming in don't know what solid waste management districts do and the district has to constantly do awareness and education.

Doug Montgomery stated that he would like to see every restaurant that has a drive up window have a trash can that is accessible from the vehicle. This may help reduce trash thrown along roadways.

### **Election of Officers**

Current officers are:

Chairman – Brady Wilson

Vice Chairman – Gary Gilliam

Treasurer – Steve Vogt

Secretary – Darrell Skiles

With no other nominations, Ray Mortimeyer made a motion to retain the current officers. Ray Schwartze seconded the motion. All present voted "aye."

### **Executive Board Representation**

A few minutes were taken for the cities from each county to decide who they want to represent them on the executive board. Results are as follows:

- Crawford County – Ray Mortimeyer
- Dent County – Ray Walden
- Gasconade County – unresolved
- Maries County – Steve Vogt

### **Request for sponsorship from Missouri Recycling Association (MORA)**

MORA is requesting a sponsorship in the amount of \$1,000. Ms. Snodgrass stated that the executive board had been contacted and they were in agreement to pay the \$1,000 from the surplus that was available in the FY16-17 budget.

Ray Schwartze made a motion to pay the \$1,000 sponsorship request. Jay Whittaker seconded the motion. All present voted “aye.”

### **Potential 2018 Projects**

Ms. Hollowell asked the cities and counties for ideas for potential projects to meet their needs. Suggestions brought up include:

- Yard waste management (Anne McCray)
- Education programs regarding proper management/disposal of organics (Anne McCray)
- Yard waste education (Jay Whittaker)
- Recycling bins (Bill Bennett)
- Recycling program in Vienna (Ray Schwartze)

Ms. Hollowell informed the committee that the next grant round opens July 6 and stated that cities and counties will be receiving a mailing.

She also reported on a recycling program in St. Louis where customers bringing reusable shopping bags were given a wooden coin upon check-out. Then coins were distributed into one of several bins representing a charity. The store would in return donate five cents to that charity for every coin that was dropped into the bin.

### **Recycling Construction and Demolition Materials**

Ms. Hollowell asked the group about construction/demolition recycling opportunities in their areas. Most attendees indicated that concrete could be used for clean fill, but other materials were more difficult and costly to reuse or recycle. While lumber and scrap metal have some recycled value, there is still concern about asbestos.

### **City and County Updates**

Steve Vogt – Belle is seeking a Community Development Block Grant to assist with the demolition of old/derelict houses. He inquired about getting a grant from Ozark Rivers to help cover local match. Staff indicated they would visit with him after the meeting.

Ray Mortimeyer – Stated that they had three demolition projects starting next week.

Doug Montgomery – Said that he will be talking to folks in his area about household hazardous waste.

Jay Whittaker – Spoke briefly on what they do at St. Robert. He indicated that 95% of material brought to the center comes from Pulaski County but that they can certainly handle more. He asked if perhaps other counties

are doing yearly pickups and was that sufficient. Mr. Whittaker also stated that they sub-contract their curbside recycling and they are struggling to get recycling to areas outside the city of St. Robert.

Brady Wilson – He indicated that material brought to the Rolla Recycling Center is largely from Phelps County but from other counties as well.

Ms. Hollowell noted that the availability of when the HHW center accepted waste is sometimes the issue. People are not always able to come by during regular hours. Mr. Whittaker suggested that maybe there was a need to promote more outside of Pulaski County.

Bill Bennett – Described their block grant for demolition.

Greg Stratman – Stated that they had 31 demolition projects which included trailers, houses, and commercial buildings. They do have yearly pick-up dates for household items, but maybe they could apply for funds to have a recycling trailer where it could be monitored.

Anne McCray – She noted that they have a great recycling and solid waste program in Rolla.

Darrell Skiles – He reported that recycle trailers have been working really well in Salem and that their biggest problem is folks dumping on secluded roads. Mr. Skiles said that the sheriff’s department is responsive to illegal dumping.

Ray Schwartze – He said he liked the idea of the recycling trailers and would get with the school and city of Vienna to discuss the issue. Ms. Hollowell suggested he contact Belle and Bland and speak with Steve Vogt.

**Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events**

Members were directed to the list of 2017 meetings and events listed on the agenda. Brady Wilson noted that the 2018 grant application deadline will be August 18.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Ray Mortimeyer made a motion to adjourn. Ray Schwartze seconded the motion. All present voted “aye.” The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

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