**OZARK RIVERS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.**

**MRPC Building - 4 Industrial Drive**

 **St. James, MO 65559**

**Call to Order**

Brady Wilson called the Oct. 12, 2021, meeting of the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District Executive Board Meeting to order at 10:03a.m. The meeting was held with in-person participation along with those attending via video and conference calling.

**Welcome and Introductions**

 Chairman Wilson welcomed everyone.

**Members Present:** Darrell Skiles, Steve Vogt, Brady Wilson, Gary Gilliam.

**Members Participating via Zoom:** Ray Walden, Jim Fleming, Troy Porter and Anita Ivey.

**Members Absent:** Cody Leather, Arthur Cook, Bruce Cox, Jim Holland, Vic Stratman, Craig French and Dave Sansegraw.

**Staff and Guests Present:** Tammy Snodgrass, Linda Loughridge, Jill Hollowell, Linda Carroll, and Kathryn Hawes.

**Approval of Agenda**

Darrell Skiles made a motion to approve the agenda. Gary Gilliam seconded the motion. All participating members voted “aye”.

**Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes**

It was noted that the May 11, 2021, minutes listed Craig French as a participant and as being absent. The minutes should have reflected that Craig was a participant.

Gary Gilliam made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2021, meeting with the noted change. Troy Porter seconded the motion. All participating members voted “aye”.

**Finance Report**

Linda Loughridge presented financials for both ORSWMD operations and grants for the month ending Sept. 30, 2021. She noted that on the grants balance sheet there was an error. Under current assets, the accounts receivable due from OR Operating to OR Grants lists $149,520. Linda stated that $139,280 of that amount should have been listed as accounts receivable due from DNR to OR Grants.

Steve Vogt made a motion to approve the Sept. 30, 2021, financial reports as presented, with the noted change. Troy Porter seconded the motion. All participating members voted “aye”.

**Approval of Grant Project Requests**

Jill Hollowell presented two requests to close out district grants and distribute funds after all obligations of the grant are met prior to the next meeting:

* 1. K2020-007 Education, Awareness and Business Outreach – release $5,284.16 in retention with grant closure.
	2. K2021-003 HHW – release $2,515.16 in retention with grant closure.

Darrell Skiles made a motion to approve the release of the funds on projects (a) and (b). Steve Vogt seconded. All participating members voted “aye”.

The board was also presented with four requests for an extension through Dec. 31, 2022, for the following grants:

1. K2021-004 – MRPC Special Collections
2. K2021-005 – MRPC Community Outreach & Assistance Fund
3. K2021-006 – MRPC Illegal Dump Clean-Up
4. K2021-007 – MRPC Education, Awareness & Business Outreach

Steve Vogt made a motion to approve the extension requests on projects (a) through (d). Gary Gilliam seconded. All participating members voted “aye.”

**Review of District Grant Applications**

The 2022 grant round received requests for funding totaling $290,944.94 with $272,796.92 being available for distribution.

Ms. Snodgrass summarized the scoring and presented the board with a summary table of grant applications with rankings as determined by the review committee on September 28, 2021. With discussion, the board agreed DACC Recycling Center has been funded for many years and that fully funding the sheltered workshop would be a priority this year due to impacts of COVID on their revenue producing activities. The University of Missouri’s Anerobic Digestion of Food Waste scored lowest and reducing that grant was appropriate. The MRPC Community Outreach Fund has open projects and it was decided to also reduce that grant. In summary, the three mentioned projects will be reduced in the amount of $18,148.03 as noted in the chart below.

Chairperson Wilson asked for approval of each grant as stated in the chart below. Gary Gilliam made motions to approve the funding determinations, Steve Vogt seconded, as individually presented. With the exception of Brady Wilson and Troy Porter who abstained, as noted, all other participants voted “aye.”

Staff will move forward with notifying the grant applicants. Chairman Wilson thanked staff for putting the information together.

Below are the final board determinations for funding:

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| **District K** | **Ozark Rivers 2022 Grant Call** |   |   |   |   | **Vote of Approval** | **Abstained** |
| **Project** | **Score** | **Project Name** | **Grant Applicant Name** | **Requested Amount** | **Reduction** | **APPROVED** |  |  |
| **FUNDING** |  |  |
| G | 98.35% | Household Hazardous Waste Collection | MRPC | $32,698.63  |   | $32,698.63  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey | B. Wilson |
| K | 98.33% | Environmental Education and Public Awareness | MRPC | $43,822.81  |   | $43,822.81  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| H | 96.76% | Special Waste Collections | MRPC | $32,995.43  |   | $32,995.43  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| I | 96.4% | Community Assistance and Outreach Fund | MRPC | $25,000.00  | $8,148.03  | $16,851.97  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| J | 96.27% | Illegal Dump Clean Up | MRPC | 21512.4 |   | 21512.4 | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| A | 94.71% | Repurposing Resource Center | St. James Caring Center | $20,000.00  |   | $20,000.00  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| F | 88.43% | DACC Recycling Center | Dixon Area Caring Center | $27,913.68  | $5,000.00  | $22,913.68  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming,A. Ivey, B. Wilson | Troy Porter |
| C | 87.16% | MORA Educational Assistance | Missouri Recycling Association | $6,782.00  |   | $6,782.00  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| B | 86.76% | Recycling Program | Scenic Rivers Sheltered Workshop (Dent) | $47,249.00  |   | $47,249.00  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| D | 85.29% | Reducing Food Waste Through Meal Prep Course | Curators of the Univ. of MO | $4,421.00  |   | $4,421.00  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
| E | 73.04% | Anerobic Digestion of Food Waste | MO S&T Professor Wang | $28,550.00  | $5,000  | $23,550.00  | D. Skiles, S.Vogt, G. Gilliam, R.Walden, J.Fleming, T.Porter,A. Ivey, B. Wilson |  |
|  |  |  |  | $290,944.95  | $18,148.03  | $272,796.92  |  |  |

**Staff Activities**

Legislative Review

Tammy reported the new session starts in January. She mentioned that a sponsor was found for the paint stewardship bill, but additional sponsors are needed before its filed. The bill will broaden paint collections to include businesses, municipalities, and schools. Tammy noted PaintCare is an industry-based organization, sponsored by paint companies like Behr, Sherwin-Williams and others. MDNR supports the PaintCare initiative through the MO Product Stewardship Council.

Review of SWAB Annual Report

Chairman Wilson reported that state tipping fees are locked in until 2027. He noted that the report addresses recycling infrastructure and marketing. It also addresses the challenges of recycling items like tires, HHW and electronic waste. Shingles and lithium-ion batteries are other items that are difficult to recycle. Chairman Brady noted that glass continues to be difficult to recycle in rural areas as it has a low value and heavy weight.

Jill Hollowell reported that plans are being made to update the solid waste plan and that the SWAB report could be used as a foundation for creating a new plan. The advisory committee will be involved in the process of creating goals and priorities.

Missouri Product Stewardship Council

Tammy expanded on the paint recycling initiative, stating it covers architectural paint only. It would be optional for retailers to participate, and it would be to the advantage of HHW sites to have paint collection expenses covered through this program.

Special Collections

Ms. Hollowell provided the following statistics on two recent collections.

* Vienna - 6 tons of electronics were collected
* St. Robert - 4 tons of electronics and appliances were collected along with 100 tires.

The possibility of using local haulers was briefly discussed and originally suggested by Vic Stratman as he had comments after the Vienna collection that locals would benefit from the collection.

Illegal Dump Program

Ms. Hawes reported receiving very few surveillance camera set up requests, but she would appreciate contact names of those in road departments and public works, as they are the ones most likely to spot illegal dumps. She plans to reach out to them offering this service during peak fall/winter seasons.

Darrell Skiles asked how many cameras were available. Kathryn reported that the district has three high resolution cameras, including one for license plates. She added cameras are generally placed high off the ground on a tree where they can be hidden from sight. If a camera is placed in a town, a fake utility pole is used to camouflage the camera.

Community Outreach and Support Fund Requests

Jill presented the following request for funding, stating there is approximately $9,300 available in funding:

 a) MRPC-HHW (K2021-003) is requesting $1,775.38 to cover contract
 services for a hazardous waste collection made in June of 2021.

Darryl Skiles made a motion to approve funding in the amount of $1,775.38 to cover contract services for June 2021 hazardous waste collection. Gary Gilliam seconded. With the exception of Chairman Brady Wilson who abstained, all participating members voted “aye.”

**Annual Awards Dinner**

Board members were reminded that the annual awards dinner would be held at the St. James Caring Center on Nov. 30. A full council meeting would be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m.

The group reviewed the 2021 nominations and were reminded that the 2020 awardees, which the board has already approved, would also be recognized at this year’s annual dinner.

Steve Vogt made a motion to approve all 2021 award nominations. Gary Gilliam seconded. All participants voted “aye.”

**Chairman’s Report**

Chairman Wilson reported that the recycling markets have rebounded. He said there is no trouble marketing conventional recyclables.

 **City and county Updates**

 Tammy reported that residents in the city of St. James have received recycling bins. She added that the city seems happy with the progress so far.

 Chairman Wilson indicated that automated collection will be expanding in Rolla, but it won’t likely be seen for two years. He feels there is a trend to move to automated collections.

**Upcoming Meetings**

Advisory Council - TBD

 The group set the date of Dec. 7 for the 2022 annual dinner and awards.

**Adjournment**

Being no further business, Gary Gilliam made a motion to adjourn. Steve Vogt seconded the motion. All participating members voted “aye.” The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

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