

**MARC Solid Waste Management District  
Executive Board Meeting (Open Meeting)  
Wednesday, March 20, 2024, 11:00 am – 1:00 p.m.**

**Meeting Location: MARC Offices, a virtual option was also available.**

**Executive Board Members present:**

*In person:*

Doug Wylie, Chair, Parkville  
Chris Bussen, Lee's Summit  
Josh Eis, Independence (alt)  
Cara Elbert, Blue Springs  
Mike Larson, Sugar Creek

*Attending virtually:*

Louis Cummings, Kansas City  
Donna Koontz, Clay County  
Jackie Halloran, Platte County (alt)  
David Pavlich, Kearney  
Trent Salisbury, Raymore

**Executive Board Members not present:**

Brenda Franks, Jackson County  
Billy Gaines, Ray County  
Bob Huston, Cass County  
Lauran Kurtz, Lake Lotawana

**Others present:**

Dianna Bryant, MARC SWMD  
Tom Jacobs, MARC  
Nadja Karpilow, MARC SWMD  
Matt Riggs, MARC SWMD

**I. Introductions/Member Sharing**

- Parkville is having an electronic recycling day at Platte Landing Park. There will be a nominal charge for anything that has hazardous material in it.
- Platte County has been going to St. Louis with Stream Team United and DNR to help with MS4 requirements and additional training.
- Sugar Creek will have a BBQ fest in April and a Kite Festival in May.

**Approval of Meeting Summaries**

Approval of the December 14, 2023, annual meeting summary. Chris Bussen moved to approve the meeting summary as presented. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

Approval of the January 17, 2024, executive board meeting summary. Chris Bussen moved to approve the meeting summary as presented. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

**I. Administrative Matters**

The district has received four requests for Small Project Assistance Funds

- The Northeast Middle School in Kansas City requested \$3,500 for a school wide recycling program. Chris Bussen moved to approve the \$3,500 in small project funds. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.
- The KC Zoo requested \$3,400.00 dollars to purchase compostable cups. Chris Bussen motioned to deny the request. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.
- The Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council requested \$3,500 to address illegal dumping in 30 vacant lots with cameras. SWMD staff recommend partial funding of \$1,750 for six cameras to address 15 lots. Chris Bussen moved to approve the \$1,750 in small project funds. Mike Larson seconded the motion.
- Journey Home from Johnson County, MO in Region F requested funds to support activities at their free store. District F is currently not providing funding. Chris Bussen motioned to deny the request. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Grant Close Out – District staff will request board approval to close out 11 grants and de-obligate remaining grant funds.

#	Organization	Carryover	
E2021-014	MARC	\$0	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2022-005	KC Dumpster	\$0	Moved by Mike Larson, Seconded by Donna Koontz. C. Bussen abstains
E2023-001	MARC SWMD	\$34,381.18	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-004	MARC SWMD	\$0	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-007	Crush Glass	\$4,750	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-008	Ideal Industries	\$0	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-009	Kansas City Zoo	\$50	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-011	MARC	\$873.55	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-012	MRC	\$0	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-014	NE Chamber of Commerce	\$3,465.86	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-015	Product Stewardship Institute	\$0.96	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson
E2023-019	Truman Heritage	\$0	Moved by Chris Bussen, Seconded by Mike Larson

**2025 Grant Call Timeline**

MARC SWMD will issue the 2025 grant call in April with two informative sessions- one in person and one online. Pre-applications are due May 31st and full applications are due August 1<sup>st</sup>. Cara Elbert moved to approve the timeline. Mike Larson seconded. The motion passed unanimously and there were no abstentions.

**Grant Review Committee Request**

The Grant Review Committee is requesting the option of requiring a profit/loss statement for project requests near \$50,000. Chris Bussen moved to approve the option for the GRC to request a profit/loss statement for requests near \$50,000. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

**E2023-013 MORA Budget Amendment Request**

Currently MORA has an open grant with SWMD. The grant is paying the salary for the interim director. MORA requested to add to the budget an additional staff person. Staff reviewed this request and recommended to amend the budget to pay the staff member, but not the interim director. Chris Bussen moved to approve the amended budget for MORA. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

**Deposition of Equipment**

**E2019-010 Scraps KC;** Plastics machines that melt plastics in molds. They have diverted 2.2 tons of plastic. Chris Bussen moved to release the security interest agreement with Scraps KC. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

**E2019-007 KC Can Compost;** satellite unit (dumpsters that goes on top of pickup truck) and pickup truck. The project has diverted over 1,600 tons of food waste. Chris Bussen moved to approve to release the security interest agreement with KC Can Compost. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

**E2019-013 Wright Brothers Glass Recycling,** pickup truck and trailer, diverted over 400 tons of glass. Chris Bussen moved to approve release of the security interest for Wright Brothers Glass Recycling. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

**Solid Waste Plan**

The MARC SWMD has begun the process of updating the district’s solid waste plan. Funds to support this work will initially be acquired by carryover and current planning funds. FY2023 - \$33,000 from District Operations; FY2023 - \$40,000 from Outreach; and FY2024 - \$17,000 from Planning. Cara Elbert moved to approve using carryover funds to support the work of updating the district’s solid waste plan. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

\$20,000 will be used to pay for a waste flow report that covers the nine-county region produced by Metabolic and in partnership with the Foundation for Regeneration. Cara Elbert moved to approve using \$20,000 to pay for the waste flow report with Metabolic. Mike Larson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no abstentions.

**II. Informational Items**

2024-B Grant Call – Nadja Karpilow reported that the district received 20 pre-applications. Full applications are due March 28, 2024. Those will be presented to the board at the May 15 meeting.

**Outreach Update**

Matt Riggs reported Recyclespot.org was upgraded and launched in November. The site reached 3,300 users from Feb 17<sup>th</sup>-March 17<sup>th</sup> and without advertisement. Currently Facebook has nearly 8,000 followers and 866 Instagram followers. KC Food wise launched Sept 22, 2023, and there are currently 79 users from Feb 17<sup>th</sup> to March 18<sup>th</sup>. Methods of outreach include digital, bus transit, billboards, radio, and social media. Messages for this year’s campaign are Choose to Reduce, choose to reuse, choose to recycle, choose to compost, and choose to donate. Food Wise messages are to reduce food waste, grow healthy food, among others.

**HHW Program Update**

Nadja Karpilow gave an update on the 2023 program costs. In 2023, 280.12 tons of household hazardous waste was collected for safe disposal. In Lee’s Summit the cost per pound was \$0.69. In Kansas City the cost averaged \$0.79 per pound. The total program cost was \$450,617.47. The remaining funds of \$14,836 will be deposited into the contingency fund. There are four new community members: Raytown, Freeman, Oak Grove and Independence. Glenaire and Garden City opted out this year. An arrangement has been made so that Kansas City residents may now utilize the Lee’s Summit facility and visa versa.

**Forming a Planners Association**

Planners state-wide have been discussing forming planners’ association. The mission would be to foster cooperation among solid waste management districts by providing training, resources, and model standards to improve waste reduction efforts in Missouri. This would not be a lobbying arm or an opposition group to MDNR. Staff will keep the board updated on developments.

**Paint Stewardship Update**

HB2152 and SB936 both passed in committee unanimously. Next is for the bill to get to a hearing for perfection.

**Legislative Update**

SB590 and HB1751 states that MDNR shall not issue a permit for the operation of a solid waste disposal area located in the city of Kansas City without receiving approval from an adjoining municipality if such area is located within one mile of such municipality, instead of one-half mile as in the current law.

**III. Board Discussion**

MDNR is developing a state-wide solid waste “model” plan and intends to have it completed by October, 2025. MDNR staff said that districts could add appendices to the plan and that it would satisfy the district’s requirement to have a plan. It was agreed among the board that this district would move forward on our own planning process and plan development.

**IV. Old Business / New Business**

**Closing** –The next Management Council meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2024, from 9:00 to 1:00 pm and will be a retreat for “planning the plan”. The next Executive Board meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2024, from 11 am to 1:00 pm. Meetings may be held via teleconference rather than at a physical location.

MARC Solid Waste Management District

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Doug Wylie, Chair

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Dianna Bryant, Secretary

Approved: March 20, 2024