



## **MINUTES – Region M Annual Management Council Meeting**

Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.  
Joplin Public Library – 1901 E 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Joplin MO 64804

*The open meeting notice was posted at 9:30 a.m. on September 17, 2024 and was open to the public in accordance with the Missouri Sunshine Law. News media representatives and interested parties may obtain copies of this notice and other information by contacting Patty Overman, Region M Waste Management District, 1801 West 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, Ste. C-214, Joplin MO 64804, by calling (417)317-5021, or email [patty@regionm.org](mailto:patty@regionm.org)*

### **Members of Executive Board in Attendance:**

Kirra Antrobus – Cities of Jasper County  
Jamey Cope – McDonald County  
David Johnson – Barton County

John Bartosh – Jasper County  
Kellie Inmon – Cities of McDonald County  
Everett Wolfe – Vernon County  
Russ Worsley – Cities of Barton County

### **Board Members Absent:**

Joshua Bard – City of Joplin  
Alan Cook – Newton County  
Tammy Goodwin – Cities of Vernon County  
Nate Siler – Cities of Newton County

### **Others in Attendance:**

Patty Overman, District Planner – Region M Waste Management  
Russell Ball – City of Webb City  
Ashlea Cantrell – Service Recycling  
Jamie Conway – City of Granby  
Shane Douglas – Quality Products  
Josh Gilmore – Noble Earth Recovery  
Diana Howell – City of Neosho Recycling Center  
Cyndy Hutchings – City of Seneca  
Justin Maskus – City of Joplin Solid Waste Advisory Commission  
Scott Patterson – City of Joplin Recycling Center  
Wesley Ritter – Ritter Industries  
Shellby Robinson – Service Recycling  
Greg Turner – Jasper County Litter Control and Recycling  
Mike Walker – Hansens Tree Service  
Caleb Wilcox – Computer Recycling Center  
Joe Wilson – Vernon County

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**Executive Board Meeting Call to Order:** Mr. Jamey Cope Chairperson of the Region M Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

**Introductions:** Mr. Cope asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves and which company, city/county, or organization they represent.



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**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Mr. Johnson – approve and accept meeting agenda dated September 19, 2024 as presented. Mr. Bartosh seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Ms. Antrobus – approve and accept the meeting minutes dated August 22, 2023. Ms. Howell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Composition of the Board:** Overman briefly discussed the bylaws regarding the composition of the Executive Board and Officer Duties, frequency of meetings, seats that will be open at the first of the calendar year, and recommendations.

**Election of Region M Executive Board:**

Motion by Mr. Wolfe – appoint Mr. Joe Wilson as Region M Board Representative for Vernon County. Mr. Bartosh seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Wilson abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Wolfe – appoints Mr. David Johnson as Region M Board Representative for Barton County. Mr. Worsley seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Johnson abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Wolfe – appoint Mr. John Bartosh as Region M Board Representative for Jasper County. Mr. Worsley seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Bartosh abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Worsley – appoint Mr. Alan Cook as Region M Board Representative for Newton County. Mr. Cook seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Worsley – appoint Mr. Jamey Cope as Region M Board Representative for McDonald County. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Cope abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Worsley – appoint Ms. Tammy Goodwin as Region M Board Representative for Cities of Vernon County. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Antrobus – appoint Mr. Russ Worsley as Region M Board Representative for Cities of Barton County. Mr. Cope seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Worsley abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cope – appoint Ms. Kirra Antrobus as Region M Board Representative for Cities of Jasper County. Mr. Worsley seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Ms. Antrobus abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cope – appoint Mr. Joshua Bard as Region M Board Representative for City of Joplin. Ms. Antrobus seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.



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Motion by Mr. Cope – appoint Mr. Nate Siler as Region M Board Representative for Cities of Newton County. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Worsley – appoint Ms. Kellie Inmon as Region M Board Representative for Cities of McDonald County. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Ms. Inmon abstained. Motion carried.

**Election of Officers:**

Motion by Ms. Antrobus – appoint Mr. Jamey Cope as Chairperson of Region M Executive Board. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Cope abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Johnson – appoint Mr. Russ Worsley as Vice Chairperson of Region M Executive Board. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Worsley abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Wolfe – appoint Mr. John Bartosh as Treasurer of Region M Executive Board. Mr. Worsley seconded the motion. All voted in favor, while Mr. Bartosh abstained. Motion carried.

- - Quick Break for Lunch - -

**Program Update/Presentation:** Patty Overman gave a presentation and focused on several items/topics including – review of FY2024 projects, recently funded FY2025 projects and anticipated tonnage diversion.

**RSMo Section 260.325:** Overman gave a presentation regarding the requirements for developing and updating a plan for solid waste management. Region M’s first plan was developed in 1997 and was 300+ pages. The new, updated plan will be less comprehensive and follow the state statute. This is due by October 2025. The first of 5 public meetings has been scheduled in January of 2025. The other 4 will take place in February and March of 2025. The plan will identify existing programs in place, discover how they may be improved, and a timeline will be developed accordingly. Overman worked with the attendees, doing a “practice run” of an interactive poll that shows real-time results. Overman discussed how information would be gathered, and how the district would need assistance from everyone in the waste management, recycling, composting, and hhw sectors of the industry.

**Other Announcements and Information:** Overman spoke briefly about the MORA Membership Forum that is scheduled for early October and encouraged everyone to attend. Overman also asked that everyone look at their information on the Region M website and verify accuracy, and forward any modifications to Patty. Overman also asked for volunteers at events and asked if anyone would be interested in serving on the advisory committee.

**Public Comments:** There were none.



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**Set Next Meeting:** Tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Mr. Worsley – adjourn Region M Management Council Meeting. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Cope adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.