

Environmental Task Force of Jasper and Newton Counties (ETF)
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2018
Joplin City Hall 5th Floor Council Chambers

Members Present:

Bob Hockman, Newton County Citizen
Tony Moehr, Jasper County Health Dept.
Daniel Pekarek, Joplin Health Dept.
Jeff Burkett, Empire District
Charla Geller, Newton County EMD

Craig Kreman, Quapaw Tribe
Heidi Scheffler, Harry S. Truman Coordinating Council
Ray Elliott (for Matt Barnhart), Mo-Am Water
Clayton Cristy, Jasper County Citizen

Guests Present:

Rosita Davis, Joplin Health Dept.

Bob Hockman opened the meeting and introductions were made.

The minutes of the January 17, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved with a motion by Dan Pekarek, Charla Geller second.

Financial Report

The finances for the quarter were reviewed. The beginning balance was \$18,009.19, a deposit of \$2,500 included yearly dues from Jasper and Newton Counties leaving a balance of \$20,509.19. Dan requested reimbursement of \$20.17 to GoDaddy for the annual domain renewal fee. It was unanimously approved to repay Dan with a motion by Charla Geller, Craig Kreman second.

New/Vacant Director Positions

There is currently one vacancy per county position. Craig Kreman informed the committee he will be moving from Jasper to Newton County in the upcoming month. Dan will review the by-laws to see how Craig's move could adjust the county vacancies.

College Scholarship Program

Dan and Bob stated they only received one scholarship application so far. It was suggested to open the applications up to current college students, but keeping the criteria that they graduated from a high school in Jasper or Newton County.

New Business

Odor Ordinance

Dan reported the Joplin Health Dept. is drafting an odor ordinance and policy that will be presented to Joplin City Council during an upcoming work session.

VW Settlement

Craig reported the VW Settlement will dispense \$41 million over the next 6 years. At this time it appears funding will mostly go to modifying school buses and government trucks in areas of non-attainment.

FSCAA Update, Budget Approval

The FSCAA submitted the 2017 Path Forward document to the EPA. Dan Pekarek, Lynn Onstot, and Suzan Morang are meeting with Ramsey Media for further discussion of the media campaign for Ozone Season.

319 Grant

Heidi stated the progress with the 319 Grant has been focused in Barton County in areas around Lamar Lake. The Spring River Watershed project is expected to be approved by the EPA within the next year.

Next Meeting: July 18, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel Pekarek, Secretary

Approved: _____

Date: _____