

explained that this is a concern of MDNR, and the District has chosen to address their concern in this manner. Committee members would need to abstain from scoring a grant if there is a conflict of interest.

5. Discussion and scoring of FY 2015 District Grant Applications Round 3 (four small grant applications were received.)

1) H-15-11 Boonslick Industries Paper Sorting Volume Increase

If funded, Boonslick Industries (BII) grant would purchase twenty-five additional 64 gallon collection carts, 144 nesting totes, and a pallet jack.

BII has expanded their collection routes and have added new organizations for pick-up. In doing this and providing the clients with collection carts, BII does not have the collection carts needed to safely make a pick-up. Instead of swapping an empty cart for a full one, employees must empty the carts on-site into a gaylord container and transport them back to their facility for processing. This takes time and is unsafe as employees must lift the full carts to empty them.

The nesting totes will increase productivity of the employees in the sorting room. Meaning more employees will be able to move, sort, and process commingled fiber recyclables. BII has a shortage of these types of sorting containers and employees have the strenuous task of dumping and lifting from a gaylord container.

Having an additional pallet jack will eliminate the sharing of the two jacks BII currently has between 5 areas. One of these areas is the collection route. If one of the jacks is on the delivery truck, one must be shared between the other stations and can put a damper on production.

The group felt this grant was cut and dry. There wasn't any need for clarification.

Bonus Points *Grant did not qualify for any bonus points or deductions*

Ms. Neumeyer moved to award 0 bonus points and no deductions; seconded by Commissioner Groves. Roll call in favor of the motion was unanimous with Ms. Henry abstaining.

2) H-15-12 City of Columbia Front Loading Recycling Containers

The City of Columbia would like to offer front loading recycling containers to commercial customers. These containers take up less space than the rear loading ones currently offered. For those customers with limited space, having a smaller option for a container may encourage these businesses to recycle.

If funded, this grant will allow the City of Columbia to purchase approximately eighteen (18), four and six cubic yard containers.

Mr. Yonke understood from reading the grant that these front loading containers were smaller than what they currently use? Ms. Trass stated this was correct. Due to space constraints, there are businesses that cannot accommodate the larger containers for recycling. Additionally, it would be a challenge for the city's solid waste department to maneuver their recycling truck to empty the container.

Ms. Trass feels these smaller containers will be optimal for downtown business for recycling. Granted, the containers may need to be emptied frequently, but having a recycling option for businesses in the downtown district will be beneficial.

Mr. Yonke feels this grant is nice as it doesn't add same containers to the city's fleet. It broadens their services to have smaller containers, which is a benefit and nice component.

Bonus Points +20 Identify Community Needs – Priority #3
-0 Deductions
20 pts

Commissioner Groves moved to award 20 bonus points with no deductions; seconded by Ms. Henry. Roll call in favor of the motion was unanimous with Mr. Glascock abstaining.

3) H-15-13 City of Columbia Apartment Recycling Drop-off Bin

The City of Columbia’s Apartment Recycling Program currently has 41 large complexes participating. They have 12, 14-yd. recycling roll-off bins being cycled between them.

If funded, the City of Columbia will purchase 3 additional 14-yd roll-off bins to add into the rotation. They are hopeful to add at least seven apartment complexes right away. This approximation comes from community conversations the Solid Waste Division has had with residents. These forums have renewed the interest in providing multi-unit recycling opportunities.

Mr. Yonke commented this was a grant that would expand the city’s fleet. However, from what he read, this is a popular and increased locations would like to be included in the rotation.

Bonus Points +10 Identify Community Needs – Priority #3
-0 Deductions
10 pts

Ms. Neumeyer moved to award 10 bonus points with no deductions; seconded by Commissioner Groves. Roll call in favor of the motion was unanimous with Mr. Glascock abstaining.

4) H-15-14 3M Purchase & Installation of Vertical Baler to Enable Recycling of LDPE

If funded, 3M would purchase and install a vertical baler to recycle LDPE in house. LDPE examples are shrink wrap, plastic bags, and other plastic film packaging. 3M expects program income to be generated from baling their LDPE’s and eliminating the landfill cost of this material. It also reduces the amount of waste being sent to the landfill.

3M’s long term goal is to be the first zero-landfill manufacturing facility in 3M and in Columbia, MO by 2017.

Mr. Cauthon asked if the match was a cash match. Ms. Trass and Mr. Yonke stated the match is the equipment. Labor is also part of the match.

Commissioner Groves asked if this project will conflict with or be in competition with another recycler. Mr. Yonke stated he doubted it. There aren’t many recyclers that handle LDPE. Additionally, this appears to be an internal operation to eliminate their waste and reduce their footprint.

Bonus Points Grant did not qualify for any bonus points or deductions

Ms. Neumeyer moved to award 0 bonus points and no deductions; seconded by Ms. Henry. Unanimous voice vote of approval.

6. Recommendations for funding FY2015

Mr. Yonke reviewed the results of the scoring. The grants scored in the following ranking:

1. City of Columbia (Front Loading Recycling Containers): 338 points
2. City of Columbia (Apartment Recycling Drop-off Bins): 319 points
3. Boonslick Industries (Paper Sorting Volume Increase): 317 points
4. 3M (Purchase & Installation of Vertical Baler to Recycle LDPE): 281 points

Mr. Yonke reminded the Committee that normal procedures dictate that the Advisory Committee only recommends funding grants that score 200 or above to the Executive Board. He also stated that it was the job of the Committee to recommend funding, not to make any funding decisions.

In looking at the grants and the order they ranked, Mr. Yonke stated if the Advisory Committee followed what they've always done, they could recommend fully funding the grants in order of their score.

Ms. Neumeyer moved to fund grants in order of rank; seconded by Ms. Williams. Roll call in favor of the motion with Mr. Glascock abstaining.

7. Other Business

None

8. Schedule next meeting

October 2015 will be the first small grant round of FY2016

9. Adjourn

Ms. Henry moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Groves. Unanimous voice vote of approval.

The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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