

**Minutes of the
ROCK ISLAND COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY
(RICWMA)**

Tuesday, February 20, 2018, 1:00 p.m.
Bi-State Regional Commission Conference Room
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Vern Winter, Chair, Rock Island	Mr. Scott Noyd, Rock Island County
Ms. Annette Ernst, Coal Valley	Ms. Caryn Unsicker, Silvis
Mr. Nick Gottwalt, Carbon Cliff	Mr. Mike Waldron, Moline
Ms. Louisa Ewert, Sec./Treas., Rock Island Co.	Ms. Alissa Sallows, East Moline

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Michelle Bergeson, Hampton	Mr. Dave Pannell, Milan
Ms. Patsy Fidler, Cordova	Mr. Rodd Schick, Moline
Ms. Missy Housenga, Rapids City	Mr. Jim Grafton, Silvis
Mr. Curtis Morrow, Andalusia	Mr. Bruce Peterson, Port Byron
Mr. Dave Lambert, East Moline	Mr. Mike Bealer, Vice Chair, Coal Valley

OTHERS PRESENT

Ms. Gena McCullough, Bi-State	Mr. Mike Weikert, Weikert Recycling
Ms. Sarah Gardner, Bi-State	Mr. Dave Collier, Citizen
Ms. Kathy Morris, Waste Commission of Scott County	

1. Approval of Minutes of the January 16, 2018 Rock Island County Waste Management Agency Board Meeting. Mr. Winter chaired the meeting and directed the Board to the January 16, 2018 minutes for review. Mr. Noyd motioned to approve the minutes, and Mr. Waldron seconded. The motion carried by unanimous approval of the Board.
2. Financial Report. (Status of income/expenses and approval of bills for payment.)
Ms. Gardner presented the February 20, 2018 Accounts Payable Statement in the amount of \$27,168.71. She noted a payment of \$1,000 to be made to the Xstream Cleanup, which was included in the annual budget, was being made earlier this year than in previous years to support upcoming spring cleanup efforts. Mr. Winter asked for a motion to accept the monthly bills. Mr. Waldron moved to approve the bills as presented, and Mr. Noyd seconded. The motion carried by unanimous approval of the Board.

Ms. Gardner presented the January 31, 2018 Financial Reports. Mr. Winters asked for a motion to accept the Financial Reports and to place them on file, with an amendment to reflect that the Xstream Cleanup payment was not made prior to the meeting. Mr. Waldron

so moved, and Mr. Noyd seconded. The motion carried by unanimous approval of the Board.

The January 31, 2018 Rock Island County RICWMA Financial Report Summary (Cash Basis) is as follows:

RECEIPTS – FY 2018

Millennium Waste (Waste Connection)	\$	211,823.72
Republic Services	\$	137,863.65
Interest	\$	2,864.48
TOTAL	\$	<u>352,551.85</u>

Prior Years Receipts \$ 8,867,801.11

DISBURSEMENT – FY 2018	\$	(303,163.25)
Prior Years Disbursements	\$	(8,482,272.91)

CURRENT BALANCES

Pool	\$	434,916.80
Checkbook	\$	916.80
TOTAL	\$	<u>434,916.80</u>

Accounts Payable February 20, 2018 \$ 27,168.71

Cash Balances as of February 20, 2018 \$ 408,534.96

3. Agency Program Reports. Mr. Winter asked Ms. Gardner to review the January 2017 reports for the benefit of the Board as follows:

Residential White Goods and Used Tires Collection Program: There were 56 white good units and 111 tires collected in January. There were 13 no-shows.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Program: There were 109 Rock Island County residents who disposed of HHW items at Scott County's HHM facilities.

Electronic Waste Collection Program: There were 296 residents who disposed of 22,217 pounds of e-waste at Scott County’s electronics facility. This is an average of about 75 pounds per customer.

RICWMA Member Government Tire Disposal Program: Local communities of Rock Island County disposed of 1.35 tons of tires at the Waste Commission of Scott County landfill location.

Regional Drop-Off Recycling Program: A total of 88.80 tons of fiber and non-fiber material was collected and processed. This consisted of 59.48 tons of fiber and 29.32 tons of non-fiber co-mingled materials. There were a total of 82 container pulls.

RICWMA Website Statistics: The RICWMA website had 253 unique visitors and 643 page views for January.

4. Other Business.

Waste Commission of Scott County Charges for RICWMA Communities – Ms. Morris of the Waste Commission of Scott County presented on waste disposal options available to local governments and businesses, including e-waste recycling, very small quantity generator (VSQG) hazardous material disposal, lightbulb and mercury thermostat disposal, and medical sharps disposal. She again emphasized the need not to exceed 220 lbs. per month of hazardous material disposed in order to maintain VSQG status, but noted special one-time exemptions were available for organizations doing an annual clean out of their inventory. Ms. Morris also noted that for any of these items, Waste Commission of Scott County employees are available to provide guidance at no cost on properly transporting items to the recycling center. The Waste Commission is also able to loan cages, gaylords, and other equipment necessary for safe transport to communities conducting one-day collection events. Mr. Winter asked that a price list for the disposal of different types of materials be made available to the board, along with examples of costs incurred by local governments to help estimate potential costs to RICWMA. Ms. Unsicker moved to defer a decision on establishing a program for RICWMA member governments until the board reviewed the price list. Ms. Ernst seconded. The motion carried by unanimous approval of the Board.

Discussion of Illinois Consumer Electronic Recycling Act (CERA) – Ms. Gardner updated the Board on information presented by the Illinois Counties Solid Waste Management Association (ILCSWMA) on recent legislative updates to the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act. Under the new legislation, electronics manufacturers will assume the costs of transporting and recycling consumer electronics, while participating counties would assume the costs of collecting, bundling, and loading the e-waste for transport to a recycling facility. To participate in this program, counties need to opt in by March 1. This would include designating a collection site or dates for up to four 1-day collection events, as well as providing information for planned education efforts, data, and collection methods. Ms. Gardner reported that during the ILCSWMA webinar, she raised the question as to using out-of-state collection sites, and was told that they would be unlikely to be approved under this program. Based on this, the limited amount of time to comply with the opt-in requirements, and remaining questions as to how the program would operate, the staff recommended

against opting in this year. Another opportunity to participate will arise in March 2019. Ms. Unsicker moved to defer consideration of participation until next year, and Mr. Gottwalt seconded. The motion carried by unanimous approval of the Board.

5. Other Activities.

Facebook page: Ms. Gardner reported that following the previous meeting, a meeting was held with RICWMA staff coordinators and representatives of Republic Services to discuss activities at the drop-off recycling sites. Based on concerns about waste being left on the ground when the bins are full, it was agreed that Republic would provide signs listing the locations of other drop-off sites in Rock Island County in fulfillment of their contract with RICWMA. The signs would also ask citizens not to leave waste on the ground and would note that sites are subject to surveillance. The wording for these signs has been finalized, and Republic reports it is in the process of designing them.

QC Earth Coalition: Ms. Gardner reported that she has been working with the QC Earth Coalition to include RICWMA in the upcoming summer passport program. Based on limited space on the passport itself and on the logistical difficulties of establishing a secure letterbox stamp at one of the drop-off recycling sites, RICWMA is partnering with the Waste Commission of Scott County to use the Scott County Recycling Center as its designated passport stamp location. Wording on the passport reminds Rock Island County residents that they can drop off e-waste and HHM for free at the site and will hopefully help raise awareness of these resources.

Earth Day at Niabi Zoo: The zoo will be hosting a two-day Earth Day event this year on April 21 and 22. Ms. Gardner has conveyed interest on behalf of RICWMA in participating in the event, which can serve as an educational outreach opportunity to replace the Bald Eagle Days and Earth Week Fair efforts of years past. She will determine whether RICWMA will have a one- or two-day presence at the event, and what RICWMA will have at its booth, once more details are available.

6. Comments from the Public. None.

7. Adjournment. Having no further business to conduct at this time, Mr. Winter asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Sallows moved to adjourn, and Mr. Gottwalt seconded. The motion passed, and the meeting adjourned by consensus of the Board at 1:55 p.m.