

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

Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
Rock Island County Board Chambers, Room 317
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mike Bartels, City of Rock Island	Pat O'Brien, City of Moline
Nick Camlin, Rock Island County (Ex Officio)	Brian Vyncke, Rock Island County
Rhea Oaks, City of East Moline	

MEMBERS ABSENT

James Boone, Village of Cordova	Wayne Oney, Village of Port Byron
Steve Gibson, Village of Milan	Andrew Pittard, Village of Andalusia
Nick Gottwalt, Village of Carbon Cliff	Michelle Reyes, Village of Hampton
Missy Housenga, Village of Rapids City	Matthew Carter, City of Silvis
Penny Mullen, Village of Coal Valley	

OTHERS PRESENT

Dorothy Beck, Bring Back the Bins	Jim Grafton, Rock Island County
Dave Collier, Rural Township	Mike Wiekert, Wiekert Recycling
Phil Dennis, Bring Back the Bins	

1. Introductions and Roll Call. The meeting was called to order shortly after 1:00 p.m. by Mr. Vyncke who conducted the roll call. A quorum was present.
2. Comments from the Public. Mr. Dennis, Bring Back the Bins, thanked the Board for providing a copy of the draft budget at the door for the public to review. He noted income trends, pointing to an increase in funds. In the current budget, recycling subsidies had been discontinued, but there was an option for recycling opportunities and incentives. Ms. Beck, Bring Back The Bins, reported on the Republic Services drop-off recycling site having visited it, and commented that it was clean and tidy. She noted that Republic Services was using the bins formerly part of the RICWMA program, and they were still labeled with RICWMA information and logo. She noted that signing from the highway would be helpful wayfinding for the site. Mr. Collier, Rural Township, asked about the location of the proposed transfer station and whether a traffic study was to be done.
3. Approval of Minutes of the April 18, 2023 and April 26, 2023 Rock Island County Waste Management Agency Meetings. Mr. Vyncke directed the Board to review the minutes of the April 18, 2023 and April 26, 2023 meetings. He asked whether the Board would like to approve these individually or take them together. Ms. Oaks motioned to approve the minutes from April 18, 2023 and April 26, 2023 as written. Mr. Bartels seconded the motion, which carried by consensus of the Board.
4. Financial Report. (Status of income/expenses and approval of bills for payment.) Ms. McCullough presented the May 16, 2023 Accounts Payable Statement in the amount of

\$17,293.80. Ms. McCullough reported bills included e-waste services, local government tire program, appliance and tire recycling program, and monthly administrative services. Mr. Vyncke called for a motion to approve the accounts payable. Mr. O’Brien motioned to approve the bills, and Ms. Oakes seconded the motion. The motion carried by consensus of the Board.

Ms. McCullough presented income and expenses through April 30, 2023 being 83% through the fiscal year. Ms. Bulat all programs were within budget, and interest income continued to exceed expectations. Solid waste fees are received quarterly and expected to be available for the May report. Mr. Vyncke asked for a motion to place the financial report on file. Mr. O’Brien motioned to accept the financial report. Mr. Bartels seconded, and the motion carried by consensus of the Board.

The receipts and disbursements through April 30, 2023 were provided to board members as follows:

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE
 RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
 April 30, 2023

RECEIPTS-Fiscal 2023

Millenium Waste (Waste Connection)	\$298,870.31
AWIN Management (fka Republic Services)	\$121,442.46
Cardboard Pick-up	\$0.00
City Carton Co. Inc.	\$0.00
State Grant Solid Waste Planning	\$5,000.00
Vintage Tech LLC 10/20/12 pickup	\$0.00
Interest	\$4,915.74
TOTAL	<u>\$430,228.51</u>

Prior Year Receipts \$11,502,850.48

DISBURSEMENTS-Fiscal 2023

Prior Year Disbursements	(\$11,369,028.28)
CURRENT BALANCES	<u>\$189,265.90</u>
POOL	\$189,000.00
CHECKBOOK	\$265.90
TOTAL	<u>\$189,265.90</u>

5. April 2023 Agency Program Reports. Ms. McCullough reviewed the April 2023 reports for the benefit of the Board. The report is as follows:

Residential White Goods and Used Tires Collection Program: There were 156 used tires, 58 units of white goods collected, and 5 no-shows.

Electronic Waste Collection Program: Scott County’s Electronics Recovery Center collected e-waste from 446 Rock Island County residents.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Program: There were 166 Rock Island County residents who disposed of HHW items at Scott County’s HHM facilities.

RICWMA Member Government Tire Disposal Program: Local communities of Rock Island County disposed of 3.56 tons of tires at the Waste Commission of Scott County landfill location.

RICWMA Website Statistics: The RICWMA website had 653 unique visitors and 1,356 page views.

6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough presented the draft FY2024 budget to the Board. The carryover is anticipated to increase and leave a sufficient balance for the agency’s rainy day fund to cover three months of expenses as recommended by the Board’s auditor. Interest is expected to stabilize, and a conservative approach was taken toward projected solid waste fee revenues. A second Illinois EPA data collection grant has been received and applied to FY2024. The proposed total income is \$789,683. On the expenses, most programs were projected to be stable. Staff will look for opportunities to utilize the Recycling Opportunities and Incentives funds for public education, and the Board discussed potential roadway signing for the two private recycling drop-off locations. A Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event is planned with the Illinois EPA, and set at the Rock Island County Fairgrounds for October 7, 2023 with a budget of \$2,500. Ms. McCullough noted the budget will be considered at the June meeting for approval, and comments will be accepted at the next meeting set for June 20, 2023.
7. Other Activities. Staff continued to work on recycling data collection under the Illinois EPA grant. Rich Keehner was introduced and will be assuming the role of RICWMA staff coordinator after a training period. Information was added to the RICWMA website to include the new drop-off recycling location at the Upper Rock Island County Landfill.

Based on the public comment about the Republic Drop-off Recycling Bins being labeled with RICWMA logo information, the board acknowledged that the bins were Republic’s and they didn’t express concern about the existing labeling. They were supportive of investigating roadway signing.

8. Adjournment. Having no further business to conduct at this time, Ms. Oaks motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. O’Brien seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.