

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

Tuesday, December 19, 2023, 1:00 p.m.  
Rock Island County Board Chambers, Room 320  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Steve Gibson, Village of Milan  
Missy Housenga, Village of Rapids City  
Jerry Leibovitz, City of Silvis  
Rhea Oaks, City of East Moline

Wayne Oney, Village of Port Byron  
Michelle Reyes, Village of Hampton  
Rodd Schick, City of Moline  
Brian Vyncke, Rock Island County

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Bartels, Village of Coal Valley  
James Boone, Village of Cordova  
Nick Camlin, Rock Island County (Ex Officio)

Nick Gottwalt, Village of Carbon Cliff  
Randy Hurt, City of Rock Island  
Andrew Pittard, Village of Andalusia

OTHERS PRESENT

Sarah Bambas, RICWMA/BSRC  
Dave Collier, Rural Township  
Ryan Croegaert, Waste Commission  
Doug Geere, City of Silvis  
Rich Keehner, RICWMA/BSRC

Steven Lander, MWI  
Gena McCullough, RICWMA/BSRC  
Stephen Villarreal, MWI  
Mike Wiekert, Wiekert Recycling

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. Vyncke offered the opportunity to provide public comments, but none were made.
3. Approval of Minutes of the November 28, 2023 Rock Island County Waste Management Agency Meeting. Mr. Vyncke directed the Board to review the minutes of the November 28, 2023 meeting and called for a motion to approve. Mr. Gibson motioned to approve the minutes from the November 28, 2023 meeting. Mr. Oney seconded, and the motion carried by consensus of the Board.
4. Financial Reports. (Status of income/expenses and approval of bills for payment.)  
Mr. Keehner presented the November 28, 2023 Accounts Payable Statement in the amount of \$12,833.59. He reported bills included Bi-State Regional Commission – Nov. 23 fiscal charges, Hoffman & Tranel audit, Scott Area Landfill Nov. 23 service, and Weikert recycling Nov. 23 pickups. Mr. Vyncke called for a motion to approve the November accounts payable. Ms. Oakes motioned to approve the bills, and Mr. Gibson seconded. The motion carried by consensus of the Board.

Mr. Keehner presented income and expenses through November 30, 2023 as RICWMA is just 42% through its fiscal year. Mr. Keehner mentioned income was \$499,465.58, which included interest and receipts. Total expenses were \$174,742.75 comprised of administrative expenses including training and travel, office supplies, professional services, communication subscriptions, personnel, and Rock Island County cost allocation for a sub-total of \$35,705.66; and RICWMA expenses including white goods/tire collection, member government tire disposal, household hazardous waste, SWAG grant program, e-waste disposal program, and HHW collections event for a sub-total of \$139,037.09. Mr. Vyncke asked for a motion to place the financial report on file. Ms. Oakes motioned to accept the financial report and place it on file. Mr. Gibson seconded, and the motion carried by consensus of the Board.

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

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

November 30, 2023

**RECEIPTS-Fiscal 2024**

Millenium Waste (Waste Connection)	\$211,036.60
AWIN Management (fka Republic Services)	\$40,380.14
Cardboard Pick-up	\$0.00
City Carton Co. Inc.	\$0.00
State Grant Solid Waste Planning	\$0.00
Vintage Tech LLC 10/20/12 pickup	\$0.00
Interest	\$6,305.05
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$257,721.79</u></b>

Prior Year Receipts \$12,073,668.02

**DISBURSEMENTS-Fiscal 2024**

**(\$209,245.64)**

Prior Year Disbursements (\$11,785,453.75)

**CURRENT BALANCES \$336,690.42**

POOL \$336,000.00

CHECKBOOK \$690.42

**TOTAL \$336,690.42**

5. November 2023 Agency Program Reports. Mr. Keehner reviewed the November 2023 program report for the Board. The report is as follows:

***Residential White Goods and Used Tires Collection Program:*** There were 547 used tires, 140 units of white goods collected, and 11 no-shows.

***Electronic Waste Collection Program:*** Scott County’s Electronics Recovery Center collected e-waste from 515 Rock Island County residents.

***Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Program:*** There were 187 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 1.47 tons of tires at the Waste Commission of Scott County landfill location.

***RICWMA Website Statistics:*** Staff was able to acquire the RICWMA website unique visitors and page views for November. The November visitors and page views were 442 and 875.

6. Other Business. Mr. Keehner stated Ms. McCullough provided information concerning a recent IEPA funding announcement for County Solid Waste Planning Grants. This grant could be used to improve waste generation calculations enhancing recycling in Rock Island County. With the assistance of the County of Rock Island, RICWMA could apply for the grant for a maximum of \$10,000 coupled with \$30,000 from the Recycling Opportunities fund to secure a consultant to do some surveying and prepare some waste generation and recycling estimates. The total could be \$40,000 with \$30,000 coming from the Recycling Opportunities fund. The grant deadline is January 20, which is after the January 16 board meeting, so the proposal could be presented to the board then. RICWMA previously received \$5,000 from this program and used it for an intern to collect and consolidate some information.

7. Other Activities. Ms. Bambas noted there was a December 15, 2023 press release providing Holiday Recycling Guidelines in an effort to recycle more during the holiday period.

In other activities, Mr. Keehner mentioned he spoke with the Zuma Township Supervisor. Zuma Township plans an e-waste recycling event in either February or March, and Zuma Township would like financial assistance with the disposal of their materials. Mr. Keehner provided information to Zuma Township including that the assistance could only be for Rock Island County residents.

In other activities, Mr. Keehner mentioned he contacted Rick Keemle to discuss the recently approved Illegal Dumping policy. Mr. Keemle has not yet properly disposed of the material.

8. Adjournment. Having no further business to conduct at this time, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:25 p.m. Mr. Vyncke asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Oakes motioned to adjourn. Mr. Gibson seconded, and the motion carried by consensus of the Board.