

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

Tuesday, August 20, 2024, 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
Rhea Oakes, City of East Moline
Wayne Oney, Village of Port Byron

Michelle Reyes, Village of Hampton
Denver Schmitt, 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

Missy Housenga, Village of Rapids City
Randy Hurt, City of Rock Island
Jerry Leibovitz, City of Silvis
Andrew Pittard, Village of Andalusia

OTHERS PRESENT

Sarah Bambas, RICWMA/BSRC
Rob Bauman, MWI
Dave Collier, Rural Township
Jim Graham, East Moline

David Kovarik, RICWMA/BSRC
Gena McCullough, RICWMA/BSRC
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. Collier from Rural Township requested assistance in disposing of tires his township had collected. Members provided two options. Ms. McCullough mentioned that the Illinois EPA has a tire collection program and was requested by the Rock Island County Health Department who is waiting for confirmation of a date. As an alternative, the Scott County Waste Commission will take the tires if brought to their facility, and will bill RICWMA the costs. Mr. Graham mentioned that East Moline was also hosting a tire collection event. It was unclear if this event was open to the public or if it would be limited access, and Mr. Graham would follow up after the meeting.
3. Approval of Minutes of the July 16, 2024 Rock Island County Waste Management Agency Meeting. Mr. Vyncke directed the Board to review the minutes of the July 16, 2024 meeting and called for a motion to approve. Ms. Reyes motioned to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2024 meeting. Mr. Gibson seconded, and the motion carried by consensus of the Board.
4. Financial Reports. (Status of income/expenses and approval of bills for payment.) Ms. McCullough presented the August 20, 2024 Accounts Payable Statement in the amount of \$21,339.53. The reported bills included Bi-State Regional Commission – July 24 fiscal charges; charges from Blackhawk State Bank for the HHM event in August; QC Press for a banner for the HHM event; Rock Island County Cost Allocations in FY 2024 and 2025; Scott Area Landfill July

24 charges; and Weikert Recycling July 24 pickups. Mr. Vyncke called for a motion to approve the August 20, 2024 accounts payable. Ms. Oakes motioned to approve the bills, and Mr. Gibson seconded. The motion carried by consensus of the Board.

Ms. McCullough then presented income and expenses through July 31, 2024, as RICWMA is 8% through its fiscal year. Ms. McCullough mentioned income was \$421,357.88, which included interest and receipts. Total expenses were \$17,678.63, which is 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 \$8,929.29. Personnel expenses were slightly higher than anticipated due to work needed for the HHW event. RICWMA expenses included white goods/tire collection, member government tire disposal, household hazardous waste, SWAG grant program, e-waste disposal program, and the HHW collections event for a sub-total of \$8,749.34. Mr. Vyncke asked for a motion to place the financial report on file. Ms. Reyes 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 July 31, 2024 were provided to board members as follows:

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE
 RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
 July 31, 2024

RECEIPTS-Fiscal 2025

Millenium Waste (Waste Connection)	\$81,556.81
AWIN Management (fka Republic Services)	\$37,104.35
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	\$1,185.36

TOTAL \$119,846.52

Prior Year Receipts \$12,578,865.36

DISBURSEMENTS-Fiscal 2025 **(\$76,641.09)**

Prior Year Disbursements (\$12,197,918.01)

CURRENT BALANCES \$424,152.78

POOL \$424,000.00

CHECKBOOK \$152.78

TOTAL \$424,152.78

5. July 2024 Agency Program Reports. Mr. Kovarik reviewed the July 2024 program report for the Board. The report is as follows:

Residential White Goods and Used Tires Collection Program: There were 422 used tires, 154 units of white goods collected, and 17 no-shows.

Electronic Waste Collection Program: Scott County’s Electronics Recovery Center collected e-waste from 582 Rock Island County residents.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Program: There were 235 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 1.39 tons of tires at the Waste Commission of Scott County landfill location.

RICWMA Website Statistics: Unique visitors to the website was 1,719, and page views were 978 for June.

6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough presented an update for the Solid Waste Planning Analysis RFP. After discussions and scoring, local government staff recommended SCS, agreeing that their proposal was stronger in understanding the scope of work and approach for the project. Mr. Vyncke called for a motion to enter into contract with SCS and authorize signature by the chair or vice-chair depending on availability. Ms. Oakes made a motion to enter into the contract and its authorized signature. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. The motion carried by consensus of the Board.

Ms. McCullough then brought forward the new updated contract with Weikert Recycling. The new contract is for 5 years from March 1, 2025 to February 28, 2030. The only change from the current contract is the cost per tire will be increasing by \$1.30, going from \$8.95 to \$10.25 for the duration of the contract. Mr. Vyncke called for a motion to enter into the new contract with Weikert Recycling and authorize its signature. Ms. Reyes made the motion, and Mr. Gibson seconded. The motion carried by consensus of the Board.

Mr. Kovarik reported that all SWAG grants reports for FY2024 were turned in and aligned with the original SWAG application. Ms. Bambas reminded members that SWAG grants for FY2025 are due September 11, 2025. As of the meeting date, 5 applications had been received.

7. Other Activities. Ms. Bambas provided an update on the HHW event, which has been scheduled for August 31, 2024 at the Rock Island Fairgrounds. As of the meeting date, there have been 164 signups. There have been several different methods of advertising the event. A press release went out to the media July 26, 2024. Ads were purchased for space in the Quad City Times digital and print editions, as well as on the QC Times Facebook page. A flyer has been posted to the RICWMA website and the RICWMA Facebook page. Several member communities have also shared the flyer. Finally, staff have hung a banner at the fairgrounds where the HHW event will be held. Ms. Bambas also provided an update on the statistics of the RICWMA Facebook page. She reported that the RICWMA brochure PDF has been linked onto the main RICWMA website. Ms. McCullough then reported on an upcoming Food Rescue Partnership meeting to be held September 26, 2024. This meeting discusses how communities can help reduce food waste.

8. Adjournment. Having no further business to conduct at this time, the meeting adjourned at 1:33 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.