

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

Tuesday, August 19, 2025, 1:00 p.m.  
Rock Island County Board Chambers, Room 320  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, Illinois

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Nick Camlin, Rock Island County (Ex Officio)  
Steve Gibson, Village of Milan  
Nick Gottwalt, Village of Carbon Cliff  
Doug Greer, City of Silvis

Rhea Oakes, City of East Moline  
Wayne Oney, Village of Port Byron  
Denver Schmitt, City of Moline  
Brian Vyncke, Rock Island County

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mike Bartels, City of Rock Island  
James Boone, Village of Cordova  
Missy Housenga, Village of Rapids City

Andrew Pittard, Village of Andalusia  
Michelle Reyes, Village of Hampton  
Representative, Village of Coal Valley

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Sarah Bambas, RICWMA/BSRC  
Gena McCullough, RICWMA/BSRC  
Lisa McDaniel, SCS Engineers

Jeff Phillips, SCS Engineers  
Mike Weikert, Weikert 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. There were no comments from the public.
3. Approval of Minutes of the July 15, 2025 Rock Island County Waste Management Agency Meeting. Mr. Vyncke directed the Board to review the minutes of the July 15, 2025 meeting and called for a motion to approve. Ms. Oakes motioned to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2025 meeting, and Mr. Gottwalt seconded. 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 19, 2025 Accounts Payable Statement in the amount of \$36,600.72. The reported bills included July 2025 fiscal charges from: Bi-State Regional Commission, checks from Blackhawk State Bank, Electronic Demanufacturing Facility for July 2025 charges, Scott Household Hazardous Waste Facility for July 2025 Charges, Scott Area Landfill, SCS Engineers services, and Weikert Recycling pick-ups. Mr. Vyncke called for a motion to approve the August 19, 2025 accounts payable. Mr. Gibson motioned to approve the bills, and Mr. Gottwalt seconded. The motion carried by consensus of the Board.

Ms. McCullough then presented income and expenses through July 31, 2025, as RICWMA is 8% through its fiscal year. Ms. McCullough mentioned income was \$338,147.35, which included interest and receipts. Total expenses were \$36,600.72, 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 \$4,271.13. Public Education and Information included \$9,739.87 spent out of the Illinois EPA Solid Waste Planning Grant and the Public Education and Information. 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 \$22,589.72.

Mr. Vyncke asked for any comments, questions, or a motion to place the financial report on file. Mr. Oney 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, 2025 were provided to board members as follows:

**ROCK ISLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
 RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
 July 31, 2025**

**RECEIPTS-Fiscal 2026**

Millenium Waste (Waste Connection)	\$78,501.25
AWIN Management (fka Republic Services)	\$0.00
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	\$796.02
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$79,297.27</u></b>

Prior Year Receipts \$13,064,751.99

**DISBURSEMENTS-Fiscal 2026** **\$58,237.20**

Prior Year Disbursements	(\$12,751,603.81)
<b>CURRENT BALANCES</b>	<b><u>\$334,208.25</u></b>
POOL	\$255,000.00 -
CHECKBOOK	\$79,208.25 -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$334,208.25</u></b>

5. July 2025 Agency Program Reports. Ms. Bambas reviewed the July 2025 program report for the Board as follows:

**Residential White Goods and Used Tires Collection Program:** There were 397 used tires and 187 units of white goods collected, and 19 no-shows.

**Electronic Waste Collection Program:** Scott County’s Electronics Recovery Center collected e-waste from 463 Rock Island County residents.

**Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Program:** There were 246 Rock Island County residents who disposed of HHW items at Scott County’s HHM facility.

**RICWMA Member Government Tire Disposal Program:** Local communities of Rock Island County disposed of 2.65 tons of tires at the Waste Commission of Scott County landfill location.

**RICWMA Website Statistics:** Unique visitors to the RICWMA website were 1,655, and page views were 711.

**RICWMA Facebook Statistics:** The RICWMA Facebook page had 1,036 views and 210 followers.

6. Other Business. Ms. McDaniel and Mr. Phillips from SCS Engineers presented the final report for the solid waste planning data collection study. Ms. McDaniel highlighted what SCS was asked to do and how their waste generation model was created. The model considers employment and housing supplemented with RICWMA program and survey data on waste disposal, then produces generation rates for disposal, recycling, and other waste categories. Ms. McDaniel discussed the challenge of the lack of data, but said that the solution would be a structured estimation approach. She discussed how the model works, and that the 2024 generation and diversion rates are used in the current base model. Future opportunities for the model were noted and what future projections would look like. Mr. Phillips then discussed how SCS came to their recommendations. Following discussions with the communities during data collection, the review of RICWMA’s programs, and the June Workshop, feedback and waste data was taken into consideration when creating the recommendations. Mr. Phillips informed the board that these recommendations vary in complexity and resource needs. He also recommended that the board and staff members prioritize recommendations as a next step. Mr. Phillips then highlighted the nine overall recommendations that included: planning and goal setting; supporting the reuse sector; strategies for multifamily recycling; expanding access to recycling; bundled service fees; regionalized waste and recycling collection contracts; regional programs; organics diversion programs; and sustainable purchasing. After reviewing each recommendation, Mr. Phillips asked if there were any questions or comments. General comments were made. The board extended their appreciation to SCS Engineers staff for developing the report that will be used for the next Solid Waste Management Plan update slated for 2027.

Ms. Bambas provided a summary of the FY25 SWAG Reports. All communities aligned with their initial application. Ms. Bambas then provided the status of the FY26 SWAG Application. The application due date is September 10, 2025.

7. Staff Activities. Ms. Bambas reported that the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event is October 11, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Rock Island County Fairgrounds. The sign up and flyer are on the RICWMA website. There will be a post and a press release sent out in the beginning of September. September will be a busy month for HHW Event promotion. Flyers will be sent out in September to Board members and staff. Ms. Bambas then made the board aware that RICWMA staff hosted an information table at the Rock Island-Milan back-to-school event on July 27. RICWMA staff talked to 11 families and informed them about the free services RICWMA offers. Handouts were also passed out at the event. Ms. Bambas then asked the board to take the leftover handouts and merchandise back with them for their community members.
8. Adjournment. Having no further business to conduct at this time, Mr. Vyncke asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Oakes so moved, and Mr. Gottwalt seconded. The motion carried by consensus of the Board, and the meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.