



Jones County Solid Waste Management Commission

13859 Edinburgh Road

Scotch Grove, Iowa

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September 1, 2026 Meeting Minutes*

The regular meeting of the Jones County Solid Waste Management Commission was held Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at the Jones County Transfer Station. Commission members present in-person include Russ Benke, Onslow; John Schlarmann, Jones County; Jeff Swisher, Jones County; Dave Goedken, Monticello; David Dircks, Olin; and Quinn Phelan, Monticello. Members were not present from Anamosa, Oxford Junction, Martelle, and Wyoming. Others present include Andy Jamison, director; Tami Michaud, scale operator; Ray Hendley, operator; and Alicia Presto, ECICOG.

The meeting was called to order at 5 PM by Benke.

During public comment, Matt Pivit from Republic Services expressed interest in providing a proposal for managing the transfer station's single stream recycling.

Motion was made by Swisher to approve the August 4, 2026 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Schlarmann. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Motion was made by Schlarmann to approve expenditures and the financial report. Motion was seconded by Swisher. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Presto provided information about the summer reading program and additional funding available through the Iowa Derelict Building grant program.

Due to waste management software limitations, Goedken made a motion to lower the charge for recycling from **\$0.0475** per pound to \$0.04 per pound to be effective when staff transitions to Trash Flow to generate tickets for customers. Motion was seconded by Schlarmann. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

The Commission discussed the waste management software transition. No start date has been set because staff are still learning how to use the software.

The Commission discussed purchasing a pickup truck for staff to use on-site and for off-site travel. The Commission needs bids for pick-up trucks to consider. No action was taken at the meeting.

The Commission discussed possible scale house expansion. Staff will seek estimates. No action was taken at the meeting.

Motion made by Swisher to adopt fiscal 2027 budget. Motion was seconded by Goedken. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Since a possible scale house expansion may negate the need for an intercom, no action was taken at the meeting.

The Commission discussed the ventilation fans in the transfer station. Staff will seek DNR guidance and bids for consideration at the next meeting.

Motion made by Goedken to approve the annual Wellmark insurance plan. Motion was seconded by Schlarmann. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

There was no discussion or action at the meeting regarding Republic Services as noted in the agenda.

The Commission did not complete an employee review as noted in the agenda.

Phelan made a motion to accept Andy Jamison's resignation effective October 5, 2026. Motion was seconded by Dircks. The Commission expressed appreciation for Jamison's leadership and hard work improving transfer station operations and DNR compliance over the past year. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Motion made by Swisher to appoint Tami Michaud as the temporary operation manager for a sixty-day period effective October 6, 2026 with a pay rate of \$25 per hour. If work is satisfactory and the permanent operation manager position is accepted by Michaud after the sixty-day period, the pay rate will increase to \$29.50 per hour. Motion was seconded by Phelan. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Motion was made by Schlarmann to advertise a full-time operator position with a pay rate of \$18 to \$20 per hour depending on experience. Motion was seconded by Goedken. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Motion was made by Swisher to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Goedken. Meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

*Minutes to be officially approved at the next regular meeting.

JONES COUNTY SOLID WASTE COMMISSION ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING

Fund	Purpose	additional information	EP	Amount	Vendor
4120	Supplies	LF inv bk,stpl,tire bar,bd brkr,usb		384.00	Amazon
4120	Service	LF pest cntrl 7/16		85.00	Blade Pest Management
4120	Service	LF srv Aug		101.95	Center Junction Telephone
4120	Service	LF srv Aug		12.80	Clear Live
4120	Service	LF FY27 Assessment		19,820.00	ECICOG
4120	Service	LF New outside lite/repair 7/1		781.00	J&B Electric
4120	Supplies	LF fltr,clnr,chnsw,lub,paint,spryr		519.88	John Deere Financial
4120	Supplies	LF increase start up cash		200.00	Jones County Solid Waste
4120	Service	LF trlr staging fee July,elec disp 5/6		1,402.00	Midwest Computer Brokers
4120	Service	LF haul lds July,subcntrtr lds.fuel		31,103.31	Midwest Injection
4120	Supplies	LF 48x48 open/closed sign		234.00	Midwest Patch
4120	Service	LF tire recycling 7/9-28		2,808.90	Midwest Tire Recycling
4120	Service	LF SWC 7/7 min		119.97	Monticello Express
4120	Service	LF SW Disposal July		29,114.56	MWI
4120	Supplies	LF weed killer,tordon, mkze 7/15		295.00	Nutrien
4120	Supplies	LF pstg 3 rolls		246.00	Postmaster
4120	Service	LF Qkbs 7/18-8/18	X	38.00	US Bank
4120	Service	LF Recycling 6/24		450.00	Weikert Iron & Metal
Sub-total		4120-Operating Fund		87,716.37	

4121	Service	lf 2026 Fin assrnc doc 7/16		1,260.00	HLW Engineering Group
4121	Supplies	LF weed killer,tordon,mkze 7/15		295.00	Nutrien
4121	Service	LF Leachate pumping 6/4-23		9,100.00	Select Service
Sub-total		4121-Landfill Closure/Post Closure		10,655.00	
Total				98,371.37	

Meeting	August 4, 2026	
Check date(s)	August 11, 2026	
	August 25, 2026	X