



Lake Region Solid Waste Authority

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MINUTES

Annual Meeting

Thursday April 17th, 2025 @ 10:30 AM

Dutch County Café | 309 N Maple Street | Garnett, KS 66032

The following persons were in attendance:

Anderson County:	Scott Garrett
Coffey County:	Todd Bemis, Ryan Durst
Franklin County:	Don Stottlemire, Peg Pearson
Linn County:	Al Doan, Johnny Taylor
Miami County:	Eric Sandberg, JR McMahon
Osage County:	Ryan Fine, Tricia Webb
Shawnee County:	Bill Sutton, Jake Fisher
Staff:	Shay Hanyak

Board of Directors Meeting

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Board Chair, Todd Bemis, called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM. A quorum was achieved.

II. Approval of Agenda

Don made a motion to approve the agenda, as amended. Seconded by Ryan Fine. The agenda was approved without objection.

III. Approval of Minutes

Scott made a motion to approve the minutes from January 30th, 2025, as presented. Seconded by Ryan Durst. The minutes were approved without objection.

IV. Election of 2025/2026 Officers

Existing officers were as follows: Todd Bemis (Chair), Ryan Fine (Vice-Chair), Scott Garret (Treasurer).

A motion was made by Ryan Durst to retain Todd Bemis as the Chair, Ryan Fine as the Vice-Chair, and Scott Garret as the Treasurer. Seconded by Don. The motion was approved without objection.

Shay will reach out to the County Clerks in Osage and Linn counties about the official appointment and documentation of new Board members or Alternates. At this point, we are submitting the name of Johnny Taylor for Linn County and Tricia Webb for Osage County. An additional name will be required for Linn County, once the new Public Works Director is hired. A future change for Miami County will be needed when Darryl retires at end of the year.



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V. Financial Review

a) 2024 YTD Profit & Loss

Profit and Losses were presented and compared to the 2025 Budget line items. Eric made a motion to accept the YTD financial reports as presented. Seconded by Peg. The motion was approved without objection.

b) 2025 Annual Dues / Invoices

With approval from the group, the signed invoices were given to a representative from each county to deliver them to their individual county clerk for payment.

c) 2025 Budget Development

Discussion occurred around the potential impact on the proposed budget with the rising cost for the Regional Coordinator's participation in various groups, especially mileage, and the potential change of funding for the Adopt-A-Bike program.

Don made a motion to approve the proposed 2026 Proposed Budget and authorize the Regional Coordinator to submit a copy to each county for approval and incorporation into their budget development process. Seconded by Eric. The motion was approved without objection.

VI. New Business

No new business.

VII. Adjournment

Ryan Durst made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ryan Fine. The motion was approved unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 AM.

Solid Waste Management Committee Meeting

I. Call to Order

Committee Chair, Don Stottlemire called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM. A quorum was achieved.

II. Approval of Agenda

Todd made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Eric. The agenda was approved without objection.

III. Election of 2024/2025 Officers

Existing officers were as follows: Don Stottlemire (Chair), Darryl White (Vice-Chair), Shay Hanyak (Secretary).

Todd made a motion to retain the same people and positions. Seconded by Ryan Fine. The motion was approved without objection.



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IV. Coordinator Report

- a) 2025 KOR Waste Reduction Conference
The group reviewed highlights from the conference.
- b) Earth Day Books / Tours
Books were sent out for National Recycling Day last year.
A tour was booked by the Burlington elementary school's after-school program on April 23.
- c) KDHE 5-Year State Solid Waste Management Plan
Shay was invited by KDHE to provide stakeholder feedback for Kansas Statewide Material Characterization Study and the 5-Year State Solid Waste Management Plan
- d) Regional Recycling Network
Shay was invited to participate in this group, representing Nebraska, Kansas
- e) SWANA Conference (Sept 23-25)
The Kansas Chapter of SWANA is holding their annual conference in Wichita. Shay will be giving a Safety presentation.
- f) National Recycling Coalition (Oct 1-3)
The Conference is being held in Wichita. Shay will look into the cost of attending.

V. New Business

- a) Storage of Recycling Collection Containers / Bags / Carts
We ordered four carts as part of our grant. Coffey county already has one. There is at least one still in storage in Franklin County. Osage County, Linn County, and Anderson County should host the other three. Each of those counties will contact Peg to make the necessary arrangements for pick-up or delivery.
- b) 2024 KDHE Waste Tire Grants Winners
KDHE received a total of 66 grant applications, requesting \$1,410,109.88. They funded 33 organizations, totaling \$ 460,973.24. Four of the selected organizations were from within the Lake Region, receiving a total of \$28,819.60 in funding.
 - City of Ottawa \$2,687.00
 - Fontana Recreation Committee \$3,661.00
 - USD 368 Hillsdale Learning Center \$10,880.10
 - City of Pleasanton \$11,411.50



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c) **2025 KDHE Solid Waste Grant Applications**

The group discussed the upcoming deadline (May 15th) and the possibility of applying for various projects in the member counties. Osage county is still interested in a horizontal baler.

Shay provided a reminder that County Commissioners are not supposed to sign applications. They are supposed to go through our Solid Waste Committee for the required approval.

VI. Old Business

a) **HHW and E-Waste Collection Days**

The group discussed the ongoing interest in hosting special collection day(s) for both of these waste streams. No specific dates were set at this time.

VII. Schedule for next Meeting(s)

July 17th – Miami

October 16th – Coffey

VIII. Adjournment

Ryan Durst made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Eric. The motion was approved unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 PM

Minutes recorded by: Regional Coordinator, Shay Hanysak