



Lake Region Solid Waste Authority

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MINUTES

Quarterly Meeting

Thursday July 17th, 2025 @ 9:00 AM

Miami County Admin Building | 603 Main St. | Mound City, KS

The following people were in attendance:

Anderson County:
Coffey County: Todd Bemis
Franklin County: Don Stottlemire, Peg Pearson
Linn County: Johnny Taylor
Miami County: Eric Sandberg, Darryl White
Osage County: Ryan Fine, Fred Diver
Shawnee County: Bill Sutton
Staff: Shay Hanyak

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Board Chair, Todd Bemis, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. A quorum was achieved.

II. Approval of Agenda

Don made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Fred. The agenda was approved without objection.

III. Approval of Minutes

Ryan F made a motion to approve the minutes from April 17, 2024, as presented. Seconded by Eric. The minutes were approved without objection.

IV. Financial Review

a) 2025 YTD Financials

Profit and losses were presented and compared to the 2025 Budget line items. Darryl made a motion to accept the year-to-date financials as presented. Seconded by Peg. The motion was approved without objection.

V. Coordinator Report

a) County Fairs

Shay scheduled to attend same events as the past few years but will be adding Shawnee County Fair for the first time. Franklin and Osage county already attended, and entries were impressive.

b) Website Update

New platform discussed for renewal next year.



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c) SWANA Conference (Sept 23-25)

The Kansas Chapter of SWANA is holding the annual conference in Wichita. Ryan, Pat and Bill are planning to attend. Shay might be giving a safety presentation.

d) National Recycling Coalition (Oct 1-3)

The Congress/Conference is being held in Wichita. It will cost \$250 to attend virtual. Approved was granted by the group for Shay to attend.

VI. Old Business

a) Appointments and Roles

Shay will continue to work with each County Commission to appoint new people to the vacant seats and document the decision in a resolution or meeting minutes.

- Tricia Webb, Land Development Director, was recently appointed as the Alternate for Osage County.
- Johnny Taylor, Noxious Weed Director, was supposed to be appointed as the Alternate, but is currently the only person attending and representing Linn County. Shay is scheduled to meet with the County Commissioner next week to discuss the two vacant seats.
- We would really like to have someone from Anderson County who will attend the meeting and represent the county when Scott cannot make it. Shay might reach out to the Commissioners again and suggest considering the Noxious Weed Director or Economic Development Director as candidates.
- The seats for Miami County will be up for review at the end of the year when Daryl White retires. Shay will continue to try and convince Gary Price to stay on.

b) Recycling Containers Storage Carts

The remaining carts have still not been given the appropriate county. Shay will make a trip to Ottawa to see what is still in storage and then report it to the other counties so that they can make arrangements with Peg to pick up the cart or have it delivered.

c) HHW and E-Waste Collection Days

Osage county is the only county without an HHW program, but the county and their individual communities are not prepared to take on the financial commitment of hosting an HHW event.

Coffee County is still interested in hosting an E-recycling day. Shay will reach out to Gary to try and determine the feasibility with their existing operations. No specific dates were set at this time.



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VII. New Business / County Updates

Shawnee – Vape pen disposal set up for public (2 x 35G collection containers)

Franklin – New bullpen at Transfer Station

Linn – Vacant positions in Solid Waste Department. Group discussion about processes, training, or issues that might need support until county hires new employees.

VIII. 2025 Meeting Dates

October 16th – Coffey

IX. Adjournment

The Board Chair, Todd Bemis, adjourned the meeting at 10:16 AM.

Minutes recorded by: Regional Coordinator, Shay Hanysak