

Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency

Regular Meeting, May 26, 2026, 1:30 p.m.
Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency
2250 A Street SW
Cedar Rapids, IA, 52404

PRESENT: Mike Duffy, Roy Hesemann, Tiffany O'Donnell (via Zoom), Scott Olson, Tyler Olson, Jennifer Pratt (via phone)

ABSENT: Craig Adamson, Brandy Z. Meisheid, Sami Scheetz

STAFF: Joe Horaney, Zac Hornung, Garrett Prestegard, Jason Evans

OTHERS: None

The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m. by Chair Olson. Hesemann moved to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2026, board meeting and the May 19 electronic meeting minutes. S. Olson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: None.

Interim Director Report: Horaney discussed community visits and presentations given to associate member communities this spring.

Operations Report: Evans reviewed equipment purchase for Site 1. Staff and operations committee recommend approval. S. Olson moved to authorize purchase of a 2026 John Deere 744X from Martin Equipment, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for an amount not-to-exceed \$405,028.00. Duffy seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

Evans provided overview of compactor options, repair or replacement, and cost differences. Details provided in briefing paper. Staff recommends repair option. Hesemann moved to authorize repair work in the amount of \$62,925.91 from Altorfer CAT in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for repairs needed to the CAT 826 landfill packer. S. Olson seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineering Report: Prestegard discussed wood grinding operations at Site 3 and the amount of time needed to handle the existing wood waste. Staff recommended approving a change order to complete grinding. S. Olson moved to approve Change Order 01 with J. Pettiecord, Inc. for the FY'25 and FY'26 wood waste grinding contract in the amount of \$53,200.00. Duffy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Prestegard reviewed bids provided for a new wood waste grinding contract, with four bids received. Staff recommended awarding the contract to Dubuque Hardwood. Duffy moved to award Site 3 Wood Waste Grinding Project contract for FY'27 and FY'28 to Dubuque Hardwood, Inc. in the amount of \$397,000.00. O'Donnell seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

Prestegard talked about the sewer line at Site 2 and the process for achieving an agreement with Linn County. Staff recommended approving the agreement. S. Olson moved to authorize Sanitary Sewer Discharge Agreement between the Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency and Linn County. Hesemann seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Reports: Duffy discussed condition of trail that runs outside of Site 1 and 3. Horaney provided recap of IDNR and Environmental Protection Commission visit and tour the previous week that Hesemann also attended. S. Olson asked about status of Site 2 capacity and governance discussions with City of Marion. Olson provided overview of current situation, with Marion City Council vote on working group

recommendations, considerations at the City of Cedar Rapids and Linn County levels, and utilizing space in the existing footprint. S. Olson noted the benefit to all Linn County communities for the Agency to continue operations. O'Donnell noted the final decision rests with the City of Marion.

Public Input: None.

Due to lack of further business, meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.