Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency
Regular Meeting, July 21, 2026, 1:30 p.m.
Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency
2250 A Street SW
Cedar Rapids, IA, 52404

PRESENT: Craig Adamson, Roy Hesemann, Brandy Z. Meisheid, Scott Olson, Tyler Olson, Jennifer Pratt, Sami Scheetz

ABSENT: Mike Duffy, Tiffany O'Donnell

STAFF: Joe Horaney, Zac Hornung, Garrett Prestegard, Jason Evans, Celia Van Alst

OTHERS: None

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chair Olson. S. Olson moved to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2026, board meeting. Hesemann seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: None.

Interim Director Report: Horaney updated board on associate member community visits.

Horaney discussed the open Executive Director position and beginning the hiring process with the Board's executive committee and coordinating with the City of Cedar Rapids Human Resources Department. Sheetz moved to authorize the executive committee to lead the Executive Director hiring process. Adamson seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously. (Executive Director hiring committee amended to include the four board officers only by electronic vote, approved Tuesday, August 11, 2026.)

Operations Report: Evans provided update on compactor repair work.

Evans discussed Resource Recovery building door replacement, noting details in briefing paper for the budgeted item. Staff recommends approval. Hesemann moved to approve Resource Recovery building door replacement from Dan's Overhead Doors & More for a price not-to-exceed $91,278.00. Meisheid seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineering Report: Prestegard discussed sewer use agreement with the City of Marion, providing overview of agreement history and the changes made in the amended agreement. Staff recommends approval. S. Olson moved to authorize sewer use agreement with the City of Marion. Hesemann seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Report: Van Alst reviewed the July 2026 accounts payables, noting several annual charges in the over $10k report. Staff recommended approval of the payables. Sheetz moved to approve July 2026 account payables in the amount of $843,836.43. Pratt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Reports: Olson said there will be another meeting with the City of Marion regarding the working group recommendations. Olson said at the August board meeting, the Interim Director and Foth will have a presentation regarding capacity and utilizing Site 2 through its scheduled end date. Olson also discussed data center impacts on landfill capacity, leading to group discussion on options, including transfer, diversion, and source separation efforts.

Public Input: Letter from Scott Hauser, Hiawatha resident, asking the board to consider renaming Mount Trashmore, shared with the board.

Due to lack of further business, meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.