



# MAHASKA COUNTY SOLID WASTE

Ronda Almond, Chair

Joe Farris, Landfill Manager

## Meeting Minutes of the Mahaska County Solid Waste Management Commission

**Date:** June 12, 2025, **Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Mahaska County Courthouse 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

### Call to Order

The meeting called to order at 6:30 PM. All required notifications were made to commission members and the public.

### Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Krutzfeldt, seconded by VanderBeek. The motion passed unanimously.

### Public Comment

Dursky mentioned that the septic system problem at the landfill is still un-resolved.

### Roll Call

- Present: Ronda Almond, Alan DeBruin, Eric Dursky, Tom German, Doug Greenlee, Mark Groenendyk, Dave Krutzfeldt, Steve Phillips, Ron Terpstra, Richard Thomas, George Toubekis, Janet VanderBeek, Randy Veldhuizen.
- Absent: Jake Dannels, Barb DeGeest, Russ Hammes, Jeff Innis, Henry VanRoekel.
- Others Present: Deb Danley, Joe Farris (Landfill), Christine Collier (SCS Engineering).

### Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2025, meeting made by Greenlee, seconded by German. The motion passed unanimously.

### Approval of Bills

Motion to approve the bills made by VanderBeek and seconded by Krutzfeldt. The motion passed unanimously.

### Approval of Financial Reports

Motion to approve the financial reports made by Krutzfeldt and seconded by VanderBeek. The motion passed unanimously.

### New Business

Heartland Insurance Risk Pool Renewal- Discussed deductibles and coverage details. A motion to approve made by Krutzfeldt and seconded by Greenlee. The motion passed unanimously.  
Landfill Gas Migration Action Plan Proposal- The engineer presented the gas migration proposal, addressing questions regarding the upcoming deadline, the three proposed options, and associated costs. Phillips made a motion to approve the proposal and request an extension from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The motion seconded by DeBruin.



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A verbal vote resulted in three members opposing. Almond called for a roll call vote, which resulted in:

Yes: three

No: eight

Motion failed.

Groenendyk made a motion to move the decision to the end of the meeting. The motion died for lack of a second.

Phillips inquired whether signing the proposal could simply indicate the Commission's commitment to developing an action plan. Christine responded that it would be beneficial to request an extension from the DNR until July 31 and to sign the proposal, allowing SCS to proceed with drafting an action plan.

Groenendyk then moved to table the item to the next meeting. This motion also died for lack of a second.

## **Old Business**

None.

## **Committee Reports**

- **Executive:** None
- **Finance:** None.
- **Personnel:**
- **Equipment/Landfill:**
- **Recycle:** E-Cycle Event update.

## **Landfill Manager's Report**

Equipment- The landfill compactor is using/leaking coolants from an unknown place. Cat is coming out to see where or what the issue is.

Liquid Waste started deliveries on May 28. We have consistently taken loads since then. The process has been a learning curve for us and Cargill with the thickness of the material and how to manage it in the active face. Mike Smith came out the second day and watched the material get solidified.

MCG's E-cycle Event resulted in 45,285 lbs. in 2025 an increase of 15,889 lbs. from 2024.

Joe will be on vacation for these next two weeks with limited phone service and email.

Landfill Gas Migration Action Plan- Phillips motions to approve the proposal as well as asking for an extension, seconded by Groenendyk. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 PM made by Groenendyk and seconded by VanderBeek. The motion passed unanimously.

*Respectfully submitted by Deb Danley.*