

# **MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD AND THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Monday, September 8, 2025

The meeting of the Johnson County Solid Waste Management District Board was called to order by Chairman Kevin Walls on Monday, September 8, 2025, at 2:05 P.M. at the Johnson County Courthouse Annex Auditorium, 86 W. Court Street, Franklin, IN 46131

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Commissioner Kevin Walls, Councilwoman Susie Qualls, Councilman John Ditmars, Mayor Mark Myers, Commissioner Ron West

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Councilman David Lekse, Commissioner Brian Baird

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** **Susie Qualls made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 14, 2025, meeting.** Mark Myers seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Angela Coy

Approval of the check register dated July 12, 2025, to September 8, 2025. **Mark Myers made a motion to approve check registers, auto-pay deductions, and claims.** John Ditmars seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

**CAC COMMITTEE REPORT:** None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Jessie Biggerman

Jessie informed the Board that the compactor is scheduled for installation on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, and that we are looking to hire a part-time employee. She presented the quotes she had received as requested by the Board.

First quote -Box truck. She informed the Board that she worked with Bob Golinski, Fleet Director Johnson County Highway Department on the quote for the box truck/lift-gate and he went through the government options for purchase. **Mark Myers made a motion to purchase the box truck.** Susie Qualls seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Second quote- Lawn and Snow removal services for the facility. Quotes were requested from three different vendors; however, she only received two: Driver's Property Service and Bucks Mowing submitted quotes. Sims did not send a quote. **Mark Myers made a motion to select Driver's Property Services LLC for both lawn and snow removal.** Ron West seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Third Quote-Digital Sign. Those that responded were Green Sign, SignCraft and ASA Signs. ASA is offering a 12-millimeter sign, while both Green Sign and SignCraft proposed a 16-millimeter sign. Discussion ensued referencing sign ordinances in Franklin. **Susie Qualls made a motion to approve the request from Green Sign not to exceed \$24,719.00 for the purchase of the digital sign.** Ron West seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Shredding events will be on Thursday, September 25 and Thursday, November 6, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Jessie stated she will inform the Franklin Police Department about the increased traffic in front of the building. She also mentioned that Jeff Peters will be managing the Budget Hearings for the District again this year.

Jessie spoke with the Board about having an Open House on the same day as the November Board meeting and holding it at the District Facility. Discussion was held regarding the live streaming and it was determined that since we are not meeting at the County Annex, the statute allows for our meeting to not be live-streamed. The Board decided to have the Open House and Board meeting at 2:00 pm on Monday, November 17, 2025, at 2250 North Graham Road, Franklin.

#### **LEGAL REPORT: Lynn Gray**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Wes Harrison updated the Board on the construction process at the new facility. There was a discussion about the process among the Board. He also spoke about how amazed he was about the volume of people in the county recycling. Commissioner Walls spoke with the Board about the remediation of the loading dock and its progress. He also stated that the expense of the error was picked up by the architect's errors and omissions policy.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Next meeting is on November 17, 2025, at 2:00 pm at the Johnson County Recycling District at 2250 N Graham Rd., Franklin, Indiana.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Kennedy Lawson from Caldwell Environmental introduced herself to the Board.

**Mark Myers made a motion to adjourn.** Ron West seconded the motion.

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Kevin Walls, Chairman

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Karla R. Coffey, Recording Secretary