

## SOLID WASTE COMMISSION MINUTES FROM JANUARY 8, 2026

A regular meeting of the Buena Vista County Solid Waste Agency was held on January 8, 2026, at the City of Storm Lake City Hall Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Chairman Erik Mosbo, with the following members present Tom Grafft, Jeff Westcott, Bruce McGowan, Dana Larson (proxy for Kim Woltman), Barry Meyer, Bill Henrich, Dan Hartman, Jim Wise, Larry Robinson, Lori Dicks (Manager), Jason Raveling (Accountant), Clark Fort (Insurance Agent).

Wise moved to approve the agenda; Meyer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried. Wise moved to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2025, meeting, Meyer seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Jason Raveling presented the financials and the bills for payment. Henrich moved to approve to pay the bills. Westcott seconded the motion. All ayes, motion approved.

Lori presented the manager's report and stated that the East Storage Building was experiencing roof issues and would likely need a new roof this spring/summer. Lori also provided updates regarding Carroll landfill staffing and the upcoming ISOSWO conference.

Bids for a new skid loader were reviewed by the committee. Lori received bids from 6 companies, and the Board reviewed the various options and configurations. After much discussion, the Board requested that Lori request additional bids to include closed cab and bucket options, as well as unit availability for the Board to review at the next meeting.

A discussion regarding election of Board officers for 2026 was held. Motion by Wise to nominate the following for 2026 officers: Mosbo as Chairman, Grafft as Vice-Chairman, Woltman as Secretary, Hartman as Treasurer, seconded by Henrich, all ayes, motion carried.

Nominations for the 2026 executive board election were discussed. Motion by Wise to nominate Mosbo, Grafft, Hartman, and Meyer as the executive board, seconded by McGowan, all ayes, motion carried.

Nominations for the Cherokee/Buena Vista (CB) Hazardous Waste Board were discussed. Motion by Wise to nominate Westcott and McGowan as 2026 BV representatives for the CB Hazardous Waste Board, seconded by Hartman, all ayes, motion carried.

In other business, Mosbo discussed options to improve recycling education in the planning area including potential partnerships and social media outreach. Following the discussion, Lori agreed to contact the BVU marketing program to inquire about partnership interest to increase recycling awareness in BV County.

Next meeting will be February 12, 2026, at 5:00pm at City of Storm Lake Council Chambers.

At 5:36 pm Wise motioned for adjournment, seconded by Westcott. All ayes, motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
---Tom Grafft, Vice-Chair\_--