

NKSWMA

Northern Kentucky Solid Waste Management Area Governing Body Consisting of Boone, Campbell, & Kenton Counties

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Kenton County Government Center, Second Floor
1840 Simon Kenton Way, Covington, KY 41011

**Wednesday, February 11, 2026
10:30 AM**

MINUTES

I. Call to Order & Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order by Spencer Stork at 10:33 AM.

Members of the board present:

Boone County	Robert Franxman Jake Buerger	<i>Judge/Executive Designee Solid Waste Coordinator</i>	<i>Boone County Fiscal Court Boone County Fiscal Court</i>
Campbell County	Luke Mantle Megan Clere Abrams	<i>Judge/Executive Designee Solid Waste Coordinator</i>	<i>Campbell County Fiscal Court Campbell County Fiscal Court</i>
Kenton County	Spencer Stork Melissa Grandstaff	<i>Judge/Executive Designee Solid Waste Coordinator</i>	<i>Kenton County Fiscal Court Kenton County Fiscal Court</i>

Members of the community present:

Katrina Harney	<i>SD1</i>
Greg Fassler	<i>Campbell County Fiscal Court</i>
Kim Serra	<i>Campbell County Fiscal Court</i>
John Lewis	<i>Tri State Escrap</i>
Sheila Fields	<i>City of Covington</i>

II. Approval of Minutes from the NKSWMA Meeting of December 10, 2025

Motion was made by Melissa Grandstaff and seconded by Luke Mantle for approval of the minutes without amendment. Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

III. NKSWMA Board Business Items

A. Recycling Grant Discussion

Boone and Kenton Counties have a couple more items to order for the FY26 grant. The FY27 grant application is due April 1; SWCs to have quotes sent to Jake Buerger when received.

B. Household Hazardous Waste Grant Discussion

The Supplemental Grant was approved by Division of Waste Management. The event will be the Pop-Up HHW Collection Event held on Saturday, April 11, from 9 AM – 12 PM at Frederick's Landing Park in Wilder.

Boone County received bids for the FY27 HHW Grant.

- Electronics: Tri State Escrap (sole)
- Hazardous Waste: Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc.; MXI Environmental Services, LLC; Environmental Enterprises, Inc.

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Discussion was had on evaluating and accepting the bids by all three counties. Pending possible Special Meeting for bid approval.

C. Litter Abatement Grant Discussion

All Counties have received 2027 Litter Abatement Grant funds.

D. Waste Tire Grant Discussion

State will be hosting the Waste Tire Collection Event in Northern Kentucky in Fall 2026.

E. Solid Waste Coordinator Reports

- i. Boone County: Jake Buerger updated the group on the Voucher Program and Paper Shred Day Events.
- ii. Campbell County: Megan Clere Abrams updated the group on the future bids, Voucher Program, Reboot Partnership, litter abatement totals, and upcoming events.
- iii. Kenton County: Melissa Grandstaff updated the group on the Trash for Cash applications, holiday tree totals, media, and upcoming events.

F. Annual Report

The draft Annual Report was sent prior to this meeting to Governing Body and Advisory Committee. Megan Clere Abrams motioned to approve the Annual Report with the edit of contact person for Rumpke/Covington Transfer Station. Melissa Grandstaff seconded. Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

IV. **Old Business**

A. Bavarian Waste Landfill Expansion Update – Boone County

Boone County is accelerating the Host Agreement conversations with Bavarian Waste. The 5-Year Solid Waste Management Plan reports on landfill capacities and future expansions, which will be drafted later this year.

V. **New Business**

A. Holiday Lights Recycling Totals

- i. Boone and Kenton Counties will be taking their collection to Tri State Escrap later this month.
- ii. Campbell County recycled 1,286 pounds with Cohen Recycling.

B. Reboot Electronics Recycling Drop-Off Bins

- i. Beginning July 1, Reboot will charge weekly fees, starting at \$25 + mileage outside of I-275 loop.
- ii. Campbell County will be paying for two bins – Penderly Park and Southern Campbell Fire Department – and Campbell County Public Library will pay for their bin in Cold Spring. The base yearly total is \$1,300. TVs are an extra cost if left behind.

C. DWM Solid Waste Planning & Recycling Workshop

- i. The workshop will be hosted at the Kentucky Dam Village in Calvert City on July 15 and 16, 2026. There is currently no agenda.

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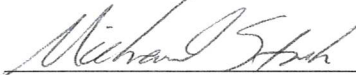
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VI. Next Meeting will be April 8, 2026, at Kenton County Government Center

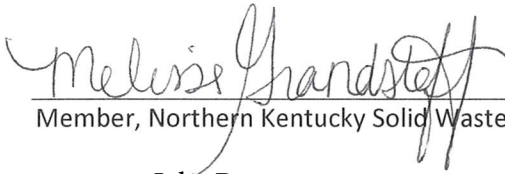
VII. **Adjourn**

Motion was made by Melissa Grandstaff and seconded by Rob Franxman to adjourn. Motion was passed unanimously (6-0). The meeting adjourned at 11:13 AM.

Approved at a regular meeting of the Governing Body of the Northern Kentucky Solid Waste Management Area on April 8, 2026.



Presiding Member, Northern Kentucky Solid Waste Management Area



Member, Northern Kentucky Solid Waste Management Area

Motion: Jake Buerger

Seconded by: Melissa Grandstaff

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