

**LINKED MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SOLID  
WASTE COMMISSIONER OF THE CITY OF CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO,  
HELD IN THE CITY HALL PLANNING ROOM, 101 N. HALAGUENO ST.  
ON MARCH 9, 2026, AT 3:30 P.M.**

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| Present:      | Susan Crockett   | Chairperson                |
|               | Michelle Perry   | Commissioner               |
|               | Sydney Evans     | Commissioner               |
| Absent:       | Jim Grantner     | Commissioner               |
| Also Present: | Mike Abell       | Director of Utilities      |
|               | Julie Tavarez    | Solid Waste Coordinator    |
|               | Mary Garwood     | Beautification Coordinator |
|               | Jalynn Dominguez | Open Meetings Act Manager  |
|               | Stephan Brown    | Compliance Clerk           |

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0:00:04      **1. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Roll was called determining the presence of a quorum.

0:00:50      **2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - FEBRUARY 9, 2026**

0:01:00                      **MOTION**

The motion was made by Commissioner Perry and seconded by Commissioner Evans to approve the meeting minutes from February 9, 2026

0:01:08                      **VOTE**

The vote was as follows Yes - Perry, Evans, Crockett; No - None; Absent - Grantner; the motion carried

0:01:25      **3. TRANSITIONAL OVERVIEW – JALYNN DOMINGUEZ,  
OPEN MEETINGS ACT MANAGER**

**Jalynn Dominguez** stated that the board shall consist of five members. She said that attendance will be an essential requirement for serving as a commissioner, noting that failure to meet attendance standards will result in an automatic resignation notice being issued. She also stated that the Open Meetings Act Manager will serve as the board's secretary. **Ms. Dominguez** stated that all commissioners are expected to act respectfully and not mislead the public. She said when a conflict of interest arises, commissioners must disclose it on the record and recuse themselves from discussion and voting on the matter at hand.

0:11:02      **4. REPORT OVERVIEW AND DISCUSSION**

0:11:08                      **A. Financials**

**Mike Abell** reviewed the financials. He stated that he would ask Sandy Gonzalez, Deputy City Treasurer, to present the financials to the Commissioner at the April meeting.

0:16:28                      **B. Solid Waste**

**Mr. Abell** reviewed the Solid Waste Department report for February 2026, that was provide in the agenda packet. He stated that the landfill received 3,962 tons from Carlsbad, 1,730 tons from Artesia, 3,750 tons from the rest of Eddy County, and others including Eunice and Lea County 408 tons. He stated that the convince station received 220 tons.

0:21:21      **5. SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE REVIEW AND REVISION STATUS UPDATE**

**Mr. Abell** stated that any changes that the Commissioners make can be discussed at the next meeting.

0:25:48      **6. EDDY COUNTY LANDFILL UPDATE**

**Chairperson Crockett** stated that Hazer Archer was unable to attend this meeting. She stated that she would reach out before the next meeting to see if Mr. Archer will be in attendance.

0:27:46      **7. CONVENIENCE STATION RULES UPDATE**

**Mr. Abell** stated that the signs have not be designed yet for approval from the Commission. He stated once they are completed and approved by the commission, they will need to be approved by city council and will be place at the convenience station.

0:29:30      **8. HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT – APRIL 25, 2026**

**Mr. Abell** stated that Solid Waste collaborates with the Police Department in cases where materials brought in cannot be processed by either Solid Waste or the Environmental Department. He stated that the electronic waste is accepted and last year almost 1,200 tons was disposed of. He said that lithium-ion batteries are accepted as well.

**Mary Garwood** asked if there have been any fires caused by lithium-ion batteries. **Mr. Abell** stated that is not something that Solid Waste tracks. He said if there is a fire in a dump truck then the truck is emptied so the cause of the fire is normally never determined. He stated that a lithium-ion battery in our landfill normally does not react because of how dry it is since lithium reacts with water.

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**9. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business Susan Crockett declared the meeting adjourned 4:07 P.M.

Susan Crockett  
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4-13-2026  
Date