

**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 ON MAY 11, 2026,
AT 9:00 A.M.**

Present:	Susan Crocket	Chairman
	Michelle Perry	Commissioner
	Sydney Evans	Commissioner
	Jim Grantner	Commissioner
Absent:	Angeline Maxwell	Commissioner
Also Present:	Mike Abell	Director of Utilities
	Stephan Brown	Compliance Clerk
	Mary Garwood	Beautification Coordinator
	Fabian Gomez	Sandpoint Landfill Manager

Time Stamps and headings below correspond to recording of meeting and the recording is hereby made a part of the official record.

0:00:50 **1. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Roll was called determining the presence of a quorum.

0:01:23 **2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 13, 2026**

0:01:34 **MOTION**

The motion was made by Commissioner Grantner and seconded by Commissioner Evans to approve the meeting minutes from April 13, 2026

0:01:45 **VOTE**

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

0:02:04 **3. REPORTS**

0:02:06 **A. Solid Waste – April 2026**

Mr. Abell stated 15 ARC trucks are operational, with a total of 2,462.87 tons delivered to the landfill over 333 trips. He said there are also two roll off trucks operational, totaling 493.7 tons delivered to the landfill over 249 trips. He stated that roll-off rentals were billed at \$60,342.18, with five 36-cubic-yard containers rented, 52 30-cubic-yard containers rented, and no rentals for the 25- or 15-cubic-yard containers. He said the convenience station served 4,969 customers and received 298.78 tons that were delivered to the landfill. **Mr. Abell** also stated the convenience station received 284.61 tons of metal during the month of April.

Chairman Crockett asked why the number of trips to the landfill had increased. She noted that there were 273 trips to the landfill in April of last year, compared to 333 trips in April of this year. **Mr. Abell** stated that, in general, everything has increased.

Ms. Garwood asked about the amount of metal received at the convenience station, noting that the total increased drastically from 132.50 tons received in April of last year to 284.61 tons received this April. **Mr. Abell** stated he was currently unaware of the reason for the increase.

Commissioner Perry asked whether the green waste consisted of materials intended for composting. **Mr. Abell** stated most of the materials were tree limbs and bags of grass. **Commissioner Perry** asked whether the materials were being taken to be composted. **Mr. Abell** responded they were not because aquatic vegetation disposal is currently being prioritized.

0:07:03 **4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL FOR A RATE ANALYSIS FOR 2026**

Mr. Abell stated the last rate analysis was conducted in 2018. He said that during the last rate analysis, the change was made from metal containers to roll out containers.

Commissioner Perry asked whether sewer usage is determined by a meter. **Mr. Abell** said no. He explained that the sewer charge is based on water usage during December and January because those are typically the coldest months of the year, when most customers are not watering grass or filling swimming pools. He stated that residential sewer rates are calculated once a year, while commercial property sewer rates are calculated monthly.

0:12:19 **MOTION**

The motion was made by Commissioner Grantner and seconded by Commissioner Perry to approve a recommendation to City Council for a rate analysis for 2026

0:12:24 **VOTE**

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

0:12:36 **5. CONVENIENCE STATION SIGNAGE REVIEW**

Ms. Garwood provided the signage review to the Commission members.

0:17:30 **6. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. ALL COMMENTS MUST BE RESPECTFUL AND COURTEOUS (THREE-MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER PERSON)**

None at this time.

0:18:05 **7. TOUR OF THE EDDY COUNTY SANDPOINT LANDFILL**

During the visit to the Eddy County Sandpoint Landfill, Fabian Gomez led an informative tour highlighting the site’s functions, management practices, and ongoing operations.

0:18:13 **Adjournment**

With no further business Chairman Crockett declared the meeting adjourned 10:43 A.M.

Susan Crockett, Chairman

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