

**ONONDAGA COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY**

**March 11, 2026 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

<b>Board Members Present</b>	<b>E. Bough Martin, J. Driscoll, M. Jennings, D. Kranz, V. Mangan, B. Page, D. Quackenbush, A. Rodriguez, B. Sekarore, J. Wood</b>
<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	<b>D. Daley, L. Hradil</b>
<b>Also Present:</b>	<b>M. Cirino, M. Mokrkycki, K. Lawton, K. Spillane, R. Czerwiak, J. Gascon, D. Haas, M. Ballard Fortin, T. Palmer, O. Hunter</b>
<b>Guests:</b>	

The March 11, 2026, Board meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

No members of the public are present.

Roll was taken. Quorum is present.

The Board minutes from February were moved by B. Page seconded by V. Mangan.

Roll was taken and the minutes were approved.

This is K. Spillane’s last Board meeting as Executive Director. He gave his final words before he retires.

He thanked the Board for their support and guidance during his time as Executive Director.

He is confident that as long as the Board and staff continue to work together the future of OCRRA will develop in a positive direction.

The **TREASURER REPORT** was presented by M. Jennings.

- This report reflects January results.
- January electricity rate was 14.9 c/kWh.
- There was \$1.6M in revenue for the month.
- The Agency had an increase in net position of just over \$700,000.
- The Agency began the year with \$18.1M in cash reserves.
- At the end of January, the Agency had \$12.M in operating cash and \$5.4M in Board Designated Cash for a total of \$17.4M.
- The Agency paid the MRF \$133,089.
- The Agency billed haulers approximately \$92,840.

V. Mangan motioned and B. Sekarore seconded to approve the Treasurer Report.

Roll was taken and the report was accepted as submitted.

The **AUDIT COMMITTEE** was presented by J. Driscoll.

- Grossman St. Amour were present to provide a breakdown of the current Audit that is being conducted by their firm for OCRRA's fiscal year 2025.
- A resolution approving the 2025 Audit was moved.
- A resolution amending the Audit committee charter was moved.

M. Ciaralli from Grossman St. Amour presented the 2025 Audit Findings report.

- The financial statements of the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (OCRRA) for the year that ended December 31, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise OCRRA's basic financial statements and are included in this report.
- All financial statements of OCRRA present fairly, in all respects, the respective financial position of OCRRA as of December 31, 2025, and 2024, and the respective changes in its financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the US.

There was a brief discussion regarding liabilities to assets and how that is viewed and reported.

**Resolution #2543 – Resolution Approving Audit of the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency for Calendar Year 2025** was moved by J. Driscoll and seconded by M. Jennings.

The Resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain.

**Resolution #2544 – Resolution Further Amending the OCRRA Audit Committee Charter** was moved by J. Driscoll and seconded by E. Bough Martin.

The Resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain.

The **LEY CREEK PLANNING AD HOC COMMITTEE** in D. Daley's absence was presented by K. Spillane.

- The committee received an update on the Ley Creek Demolition and Restoration Project completion.
- The committee received an update on the Ley Creek Project tasks and scheduled updates.
- The committee reviewed completed engineering tasks, the progress and near completed projects and upcoming projects.
- The committee discussed the Ley Creek NYSDEC Permit.
- The committee received an update on the SEQRA and EAF completion.

E. Bough Martin added that during the demolition of Ley Creek most of the metal was reclaimed and recycled which led to a slight decrease in the ending contract price.

The **RECYCLING/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** in L. Hradil's absence was presented by V. Mangan.

- The committee moved a resolution for emergency hauling services.
- The committee moved a resolution to contract for refrigerant extraction services.
- The committee moved a resolution to purchase a Peterbilt Heavy Duty 567 Tractor.
- The committee received an update on the Transfer Station Compliance Assistance Proposal.
- The committee received an update to the Local Solid Waste Management Plan extension.

**Resolution # 2545 – Resolution Authorizing Executive Director to Contract for Private Hauling Services** was moved by V. Mangan and seconded by D. Quackenbush.

The resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain.

**Resolution #2546 - Resolution Authorizing Executive Director to Contract for Refrigerant Extraction** was presented by V. Mangan and seconded by D. Kranz.

There was a brief discussion regarding training for this service in-house.

The resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain

**Resolution #2547 – Resolution Authorizing Executive Director to Purchase a Truck Tractor Cab/Chassis** was moved by V. Mangan and seconded by D. Kranz.

The resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain.

The **SUCCESSION AD HOC COMMITTEE** was presented by J. Wood.

- The committee discussed the goal of the committee.
- The committee reviewed the current Agency Organizational Chart and Strategic Plan.
- The committee reviewed the possibility of updating the job description for the Executive Director.
- The committee discussed and agreed the job posting would be listed within the next few weeks and what the qualifications should be for the next candidate.

J. Wood added that the committee had met today and agreed to move a resolution to the full Board at this meeting. Due to the urgency of the resolution, the required posting of the resolution was waived and is stated in the resolution.

M. Mokrzycki excused himself and a brief discussion followed.

A brief discussion followed regarding what the timeframe and compensation for the interim position would be.

It was agreed that depending on the amount of time M. Mokrzycki was in the interim position, compensation would be further discussed.

E. Bough Martin asked if the Board would be able to review the results of the questionnaire that had been distributed to Board members.

M. Ballard Fortin responded that the Ad hoc committee had not reviewed those results and would make them available after the next committee meeting.

**Resolution #2548 – Resolution Authorizing Agency to Appoint Acting Interim Executive Director** was moved by J. Wood and seconded by J. Driscoll.

The resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain.

The **ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** was presented by B. Page.

- The committee discussed a resolution regarding new hires at RCR.
- The committee discussed a resolution for insurance policies beginning April 1, 2026.

M. Mokrzycki gave a brief explanation of the resolution regarding the new hires.

**Resolution #2549 – Resolution Authorizing Memorandum of Agreement with IUOE Regarding New Hire Wages** was moved by B. Page and seconded by A. Rodriguez.

There was no further discussion.

The resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 noys, 0 abstain.

**Resolution #2550 – Resolution Authorizing Executive Director to Purchase Insurance Policies for the Agency for the Period Beginning April 1, 2026** was moved by B. Page and seconded by E. Bough Martin.

There was a brief discussion regarding umbrella coverage.

The resolution was adopted 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain.

T. Palmer:

- On April 1<sup>st</sup> new battery kiosks will be available at area community centers.
- Brochures and other educational information will be available at each site and on-line.

D. Haas:

- An equal amount of trash from last year is coming through the Transfer Station year-to-date.
- 37% more trash is being processed through the WTE facility.
- Trash levels at the Transfer Station have been at a manageable level.

K. Lawton:

- The Home and Garden show is next week. OCRRA will have an extensive booth at the show.

O. Hunter:

- Work continues with Cornerstone and the Ley Creek project.

B. Page ended the meeting with kind words for K. Spillane and his upcoming retirement.

E. Bough Martin motioned and B. Sekarore seconded to adjourn the meeting.

A collective 'aye' was heard.

The Board adjourned at 5:13 PM.

Board Minutes were taken by R. Czerwiak