

RESOLUTION NO. _____-2025

A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE FAYETTE COUNTY LANDFILL COMMISSION TO STUDY A TRANSITION
FROM POPULATION-BASED BILLING TO TONNAGE-BASED HAULER BILLING

WHEREAS, the City of Oelwein is a participating municipality in the Fayette County Landfill Commission (FCLC), and

WHEREAS, the city of Oelwein continues to receive a finding in their audit because the city has no way to provide the amount of people per household that the Fayette County Landfill Commission is using as its charging metric, and

WHEREAS, the current method of funding landfill operations relies on charging participating cities based on their population, regardless of their actual waste disposal volume, and

WHEREAS, this method may result in inequities between municipalities that generate varying amounts of waste but are billed similarly, and

WHEREAS, a tonnage-based billing model, where waste haulers are charged based on the actual volume of waste delivered to the landfill, may better reflect usage and promote fairness, transparency, and sustainability, and

WHEREAS, the Fayette County Landfill Commission has the authority to evaluate and implement operational and financial practices that support long-term fiscal responsibility and environmental stewardship;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OELWEIN, IOWA:

The City of Oelwein hereby encourages the Fayette County Landfill Commission to formally research and evaluate a transition from population-based billing of municipalities to a tonnage-based fee structure for waste haulers.

The City supports efforts by the Commission to engage a qualified consultant or firm to study the financial, operational, legal, and administrative impacts of such a transition.

The City further encourages the Commission to gather input from all affected stakeholders, including municipalities, waste haulers, and the public, during the evaluation process.

The City of Oelwein is committed to participating in future discussions and planning efforts that promote a fair and effective waste management funding model.

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Oelwein, Iowa this 24th day of November, 2025.

Brett DeVore, Mayor

Attest:

It was moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the
Resolution as read be adopted, and upon roll call there were:

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Dylan Mulfinger, City Administrator

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