Rates Increase at Nemaha Co. Landfill (KMZA)-The new year means a higher cost to dispose of trash at the Nemaha County (Ks) landfill.

County commissioners Monday approved increasing the rates for the county transfer station to \$50 a ton for in-county trash disposal and to \$60 a ton for out-of-county. The rates had previously been set at \$46 a ton for both in county and out-of-county trash.

The commission also approved increasing the rates for the construction and demolition pit to \$35 a ton for in county and \$45 a ton for out-of-county. The rates had previously set at \$30 a ton for both in-county and out-of-county disposal.

The new rates took effect January 1st.

Solid Waste Supervisor Dennis Ronnebaum proposed the rate increase to cover the costs of running the landfill.

Following a hearing drawing no public comment the commission approved amendments to the 2012 budget.

The noxious weed, employee benefits, alcohol control and solid waste funds were amended to allow for \$97,500 in additional expenditures.

The county had the cash and it will not affect the mill levy.

And commissioners accepted a bid submitted by Sheriff Rich Vernon from Zones for the purchase of two new servers for the sheriff's department at a total cost of \$38,812.

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