

Carter County
Landfill Committee Meeting
December 6, 2011

APPROVED

D.C. *Patsy Hicks*

Members Present:

Gebe Ritchie
Joel Street
Charles VonCannon
Steve Lowrance
Richard Renfro
John Lewis
Sonja Culler
Pat Hicks

Sonja Culler moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with the attached amendment. This was seconded by John Lewis and passed without opposition.

Old Business

- Mr. Lyons reported that we have applied for a grant to provide for heaters which will burn used oil. These heaters will be used at the recycling center and landfill. We will first have to purchase and install the equipment at a cost of \$27,500 which will be reimbursed through the grant. Mr. Street made the motion that we take the \$27,500 from the operations and transfer budget of the landfill and reimburse that fund from grant money. The motion was seconded by John Lewis and passed 8-0.
- Mr. Chris Craig made a presentation on a recycling grant which he hopes will soon be available. If the county receives the grant; \$25,000 will be awarded requiring a 20% local match of \$6,250. Applications are not yet available but Mr. Craig will assist us if and when they are available.
- Mr. Lewis made a motion that from the \$85,000 appropriated for trucks and bins an amount not to exceed \$6,250 be set aside to cover the match for a possible recycling grant which might be awarded to the county. Ms. Culler seconded and the motion passed 8-0.
- Mr. Ritchie made a motion to empower Mr. Lyons to speak to the low bidder to see if some dumpsters might be purchased now and others later. This was seconded by Mr. Lewis and passed 8-0.

- It was pointed out that we must not violate the terms of the grant; therefore it may be necessary to receive another bid. Mr. Lyons, Mr. Street and Mayor Humphrey will work on this and make sure we do things correctly.
- Benny Lyons reported that a recycling bin has been placed at the landfill, and he showed the committee a picture of the placement.
- Mr. Street is in communication with the sheriff regarding the placement of recycling boxes in the schools through use of anti-litter funds.
- Mr. Lyons has negotiated an agreement with Superior Mulch in regard to bush removal from the landfill. Keith Bowers is receiving the contract.

New Business

- TDEC will pay to establish centers for the collection of household hazardous waste (excluding paint). These will be accepted at the landfill at no cost. The motion to pursue this and set pick-up dates was made by Sonja Culler with a second by Gebe Ritchie. The motion passed 7-0.
- Mr. Lewis reported that Hampton Beverage would like a dumpster for the placement of cardboard. They must be willing to pay \$40 per month for this to happen. Mr. Lewis will ask them if they are willing to pay this fee.
- Benny gave the following financial report for the month of October:
 - A positive balance of \$9,518.07
 - Receipt of \$5,107.00 for cardboard and paper
 - Roan Mountain convenience is at a deficit of \$4,226 for the year
 - Elk Mills is at a deficit of \$5,316 for the year
- Mr. Lewis wants to place an ad in the newspaper informing citizens of recycling locations. Mr. Street wishes to put this on hold until we are ready to make an all-out effort to promote recycling.

Motion to adjourn by Sonja Culler with a second by Steve Lowrance. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

William Patrick Hicks