

LANDFILL MEETING 8/8/2014

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Hicks, Joel Street, Charles VonCannon, John Lewis, Bobbie Dietz, Buford Peters, Sonja Culler

ABSENT: Steve Lowrance

The minutes for the July meeting and the agenda for the current meeting were approved on a motion from John Lewis with a second from Bobbie Dietz

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Lyons discussed the auditor's findings in regard to the current software package used at the landfill. The current vendor indicated that the necessary changes could be made to the existing software, but the price would double. Mr. Lyons chose to cancel the contract and have that which had been paid refunded. Mr. Lyons, Ingrid, and the auditor are working together to find a suitable software package.

Mrs. Deloach provided a comparison of pay for landfill employees with that of the highway department in Carter County and the sanitation department in the city of Elizabethton. All landfill employees with the exception of the asst. director are paid 9.25 per hour. In Elizabethton drivers are paid 11.14; operators receive 10.60; and, general laborers are paid 11.14. It was reported that the highway department pays drivers 11.93. Operators receive 12.99, and common laborers receive 10.82. Mrs. Deloach will bring additional information to the next meeting.

Mr. Lyons reported that he had tried out a roll-off truck which has 86000 miles and a price of \$95000. He reported that he would be looking at two more trucks on Monday. Buford Peters made a motion to grant Mr. Lyons the authority to purchase a roll-off truck he felt appropriate at a price not to exceed \$100,000. Pat Hicks provided a second and the motion was approved 6-1 with Mr. Lewis voting no.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Deloach reported that the owner of the current transfer station at Elk Mills, Mr. Miller, had recently been elected to serve on the county commission. Therefore, we will no longer be able to rent from him as of Sept. 1, 2014. Ms. Culler made the motion to immediately open the new Little Milligan transfer station because of the conflict of interest created by the August 2014 election. Mr. Peters provided a second and the motion passed 7-0.

Benny reported that the forklift is torn up and it will cost between 3700 and 4700 to repair this piece of equipment. He said he felt he could purchase another for about \$8000. Ms. Culler made a motion to take up to \$10000 from the landfill maintenance fund in order to purchase another piece of equipment. Mr. Hicks provided the second and the motion passed 7-0.

Ms Culler made a motion for Benny to apply for a matching grant in order to purchase recycling equipment. Mrs. Dietz made the second , and the motion passed 7-0.

Both Mr. Street and Mr. Lyons were recognized by various committee members for their outstanding service to the committee, the landfill /solid waste operation, and the citizens of Carter County.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Peters moved to adjourn. Mr. VonCannon seconded and the motion was approved 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

William Patrick Hicks

Signature of Chairman: _____