

Carter County Landfill Committee
April 6, 2015

The Carter County Landfill Committee met on April 6, 2015 in the main courtroom at the Carter County Courthouse. Commissioners Dietz, Gobble, Hill, Miller, Peters, Simerly, Ward and VonCannon were present.

Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve the minutes of previous session, Commissioner Gobble seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hill made motion to approve the Agenda for the meeting, Commissioner Ward seconded. This motion also passed unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Under unfinished business the committee received an update on the Little Milligan convenience center as follows:

Plumbing work is complete and the final wiring inspection is pending. Ben Lyons requests ideas from the committee for special grand opening ideas, such as hosting a "ribbon cutting" and accepting the first bag of trash for free. Lyons stated that there is a need for one more concrete pad prior to placing dumpsters in service, and the cost was estimated at \$3,800. He also stated that per finance director DeLoach, landfill revenues are trending higher compared to FY2014, so funds should be available without having to request new allocations from the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Peters, seconded by Commissioner VonCannon to allow Lyons to use funds for the necessary concrete pad. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lyons reported that Unicoi County intends to begin bringing their pre-sorted recyclables to the Carter County transfer station for processing. Unicoi County will be paying all costs associated with logistics on this.

Mr. Lyons stated that City of Elizabethton is putting a recycling center across from Omnisource and has arranged for Carter County Landfill to service the site.

Commissioner Hill updated the committee regarding establishing recycling convenience sites on Carter County School grounds. Per Commissioner VonCannon's request, Hill had expressed the desire of the landfill committee to explore potential recycle center locations with the Carter County School administration. Hill reported that school facilities manager Phillip Nave, Superintendent Kevin Ward and School Board Member Rusty Barnette were in agreement that such locations would benefit the community and that proposed school sites were being selected for consideration. Hill explained that ideally such facilities could potentially be located outside school security fencing but on school grounds with access/egress points that would not interfere with school traffic.

Reading of communications: Kim Raia, CTAS Environmental expert has suggested Jefferson and Roan Counties for a proposed facilities tour by the committee for purposes of researching recycling program ideas, specifically single stream methods.

Commissioner VonCannon suggested that the committee Google single stream recycling.

Commissioner Dietz, committee chair proposed dates for the field trip as: April 16-17, May 19-22, and June 9-12 or 16-19.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward and seconded by Commissioner Simerly for the committee to tour the recycle center and transfewr station on May 16 during the state sponsored hazardous waste event. The motion passed unanimously.

Also under old business it was noted that the recycling center's cooking oil collections had generated \$62.50.

Under New Business, Mr. Lyons brought to the committee's attention that the county website contains erroneous information on serfvic and rental program pricing. There was some discussion about pricing, including a statement from Commissioner Miller that a person in Poga should pay the same rate for a dumpster as a person located in town.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Peters to give Lyons tpermission to set prices as necessary and work with the county IT person to correct the information on the website.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm

draft copy submitted by Mike Hill, committee secretary on 4/22, 2015

Mike Hill