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Carter County  
Landfill Committee Meeting  
April 3, 2012

*App by John Lewis's  
on 5-17-12  
John G Lewis  
Wic Chair*

**APPROVED**

Members Present:

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

Old Business

- The minutes for March were approved with the correction that there will be an eight tire maximum rather than minimum on the "Free Day" at the landfill.
- Mr. Street reported on the school recycling program.
- Benny Lyons reported that the revised contract has been sent to Superior Mulch and we are awaiting their response.
- Joel Street made a motion that we accept up to eight tires on the "Free Day". This was seconded by John Lewis. Charles Von Cannon amended the motion to state that we report the total cost of the "Free Day" to the budget committee and request reimbursement to the landfill. The vote was 8-0 in the affirmative.

New Business

- Chris Craig presented a written report on solid waste disposal in Carter County. Chris reviewed the report and pointed out several highlights. It was noted that we need to encourage commercial entities to submit the voluntary report on recycling which is sent out each year. In the last year we have seen an increase in residential recycling with rate currently being 7.89%. Chris also spoke on the diversion rate. The state goal is 25% and Carter County was at 28.5% in 2011. However, the formula for figuring this may change, and if this happens we would be below the state goal. Before the next reporting period we will make an effort to contact business and encourage them to fill out their recycling report.

- Mr. Von Cannon will serve as our coordinator for America Recycles Day.
- Mr. Lyons reported that in March the landfill received \$69,810 and spent \$42,255.70.
- Mr. Lyons also reported that we are showing a loss at both the Roan Mountain and Elk Mills Convenience Centers. If we could secure compactors this would help.

Sonja Culler moved to adjourn with a second from Gebe Ritchie. The vote 8-0 in the affirmative.

Respectfully Submitted

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