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**Landfill Committee Meeting  
8/3/2015, Mayor's Conference Room**

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Deitz at 7:50 PM

Roll call Commissioners Acuff, Deitz, Gobble, Hill, Miller, Ward, and VonCannon were present. Commissioner Simerly was absent due to a pressing family matter. Quorum present.

**Approval of minutes of previous session and agenda:**

Agenda: Motion was made by Hill, seconded by Acuff. Motion passed by acclamation.  
Minutes of previous session will be approved at the next meeting, as they weren't included in the packets

**Floor was opened for Public Comments.**

There were no public comments.

**Old Business**

- Tire Hub agreement
  - Carter County will be using the same company as last year, the agreement will be in effect for one year. A copy of the actual contract will be included in the minutes of the Landfill committee once it is signed sealed and delivered.
  - Commissioner Hill made motion to bring the agreement before the full commission for approval, seconded by Commissioner Acuff. After some discussion, the motion passed by acclamation.
  - Field trip to Newton NC to see recycling program will be Tuesday September 22, leaving at 8:00 AM.

**Report from Director Lyons**

- There is a need for replacement software at the landfill, due to an issue with the existing software making it non-compliant with state guidelines. The old software has been returned for a full refund, and in the interim, hand written receipts have been issued at the transfer station. The software is vital, particularly for enforcement of the number of tires an individual can bring in annually. The state auditor has provided a list of approved vendors whose software meets state guidelines, and a package has been selected that has an approximate cost of \$5,500.

**New Business**

- The recent landfill inspection resulted in an overall favorable report. Our truck for hauling Leachate must be premitted, and a copy of the report will be attached to the committee meeting minutes for commission review.

*Grants*

Upcoming grants we are looking at include:

- a used motor oil grant up to \$51,000, which requires no match from the county. This would be for funds to pay for concrete slab, shed and signage for a used oil collection station.
- a recycling equipment grant with a maximum of \$25,000 for which the county would be required to dollar match 25% could purchase additional bins and dumpsters to increase recycling program capacity.
- a waste reduction grant up to \$200,000 requiring a 20% match from the county would purchase needed equipment including Bobcat, Bailer, Front Load Dumpster Truck and Skid Steerer.
- Commissioner Dietz stated that she will present these grant proposals at the next commission meeting.

- Projection for county recycling percentage on track to hit +/- 42%
- Survey indicates most users of county recycle center are Elizabethton residents.
- Truck purchase: State contract price on a new truck is \$22,000. There is \$79,000 in the landfill budget emergency fund, and if the new budget passes there is a \$15,000 allowance for a truck purchase.
- Motion by Acuff, seconded by Ward to present this proposal to the commission. Passed by voice vote with Hill, Dietz, Miller, Ward, Acuff, and Gobble voting affirmatively, VonCannon passed, Simerly absent.

**Commissioner Comments**

- Commissioner Lewis was recognized to ask if there was enough used oil to run furnaces at the landfill. Director Lyons stated that there was.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 pm

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