

Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Dietz at 6:00 p.m.

**Roll call:** Commissioners Carroll, Dietz, Hill, VonCannon and Ward were present.  
Commissioners Miller, Peters, Simerly were absent.

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Ward to approve the agenda, and passed by acclamation.

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous session by Commissioner Ward seconded by Commissioner Hill and passed by acclamation.

**Public Comments:** No one made any public comments.

- Old Business:**
- Household Hazardous Waste Day has been changed to May 19, 2018 at the recycling center.
  - Air Curtain Destructor is in place. New Rolloff truck will be delivered in September. Landfill is limping along with the "million miler" backup rolloff truck until that time.
  - Grading and site prep work has begun on garage site.

**New Business:**

- Commissioner Ward discussed a proposal to implement an advertising program on landfill route trucks and recycling tubs. Program would be modelled after the school bus ad program that has been operational for approximately two years.  
Motion by Hill, seconded by Carroll to proceed with discovery process on ad program.  
Motion passed unanimously on roll call vote.

**Director Lyons' Report:**

Director Lyons presented the committee with Advanced Disposal's contract rates, stating that our contract for waste hauling trucking services is expiring, and our current contractor is quitting business. A comparison sheet for the lowest bid on waste hauling (attached) shows a significant increase in cost to the solid waste program. The current trucking company has proposed to sell the truck and five trailers to the Solid Waste Program for \$135,000. Director Lyons estimates the window of recovery for this investment would be two years or less, compared to the hauling rate increases we will be incurring next year. He also believes this window of recovery could be shortened even more by picking up contract waste hauling service for City of Elizabethton. Pros: complete autonomy and a better degree of cost control. Cons: will require hiring one full time employee. As an example, Lyons pointed out that Sullivan County maintains its own county owned waste hauling program.

A brief mention was made that the new garage dimensioning and orientation was designed with the awareness that it may need to house the county recycling program in the future. Editor's note: GOOD PLAN BENNY!!

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 6:20

draft submitted by Mike Hill, Secretary

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