

**SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 26, 2010**

The Solid Waste Committee met on Tuesday, January 26, 2010 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:15 p.m. Ms. Summers, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

Debra B. Summers, Chairman	M. Todd Cullum, V Chairman
George H. Davis	Johnny W. Jeffcoat
James E. Kinard, Jr.	

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Deputy County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Tire Disposal Program - Solid Waste Management - Dave Eger, Director - Mr. Eger presented a report on the County's Tire Disposal Program including the two Tire Amnesty Days. He reported 16,118 tires were delivered by County residents during the two tire amnesty events. The amnesty program's operating cost was \$28,404 with an additional loss in handling fees of \$24,177, bringing the total cost to \$52,581 or \$3.26 per tire. Staff has proposed an alternate program for consideration. The proposed program would accept four tires per household per year free of charge and track verification only at the Edmund Landfill; beyond the four, charges would be the normal fee of \$1.50 per tire. Mr. Eger anticipates the cost involved would be an estimated loss of revenue in the amount of \$6,000 (based on an estimated 4,000 tires disposed per year at \$1.40 per tire). The Committee discussed the State's tire disposal fees and abolishing the Tire Amnesty Program.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Mr. Cullum to recommend that full Council approve abolishing the Tire Amnesty Day Program and not approve staff's recommendation for an alternative tire disposal program at the Edmund Landfill.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

PalmettoPride Community Pride Grant Award - Solid Waste Management - Dave Eger, Director - Mr. Eger presented a request to accept the PalmettoPride Community Pride Grant award in the amount of \$4,000. There is no County match required. The funds will be used to purchase recycling containers for Lexington County parks and sport complexes.

A motion was made by Mr. Cullum, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to accept the PalmettoPride Community Pride Grant award.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

Debra B. Summers
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk