

**AT A CONTINUED MEETING OF THE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY OF
ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY VIRGINIA, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
BUILDING, 150 SOUTH MAIN STREET LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA ON MONDAY
OCTOBER 4, 2010 AT 6:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: CHAIRMAN A.W. LEWIS, JR.
MEMBERS: C.R. COMSTOCK, R.S. FORD, M.R. SMITH, R.H. RIEGEL
CLERK OF BOARD: CLAIRE A. COLLINS
COUNTY ATTORNEY: VICKIE L. HUFFMAN
STAFF: PENNI MCMICHAEL**

ABSENT: ROBERT E. CLAYTOR, FISCAL DIRECTOR

Call to Order

Chairman Lewis offered opening remarks on the County's options for consideration relative to its future solid waste disposal needs. He also apologized to the County School Board for any inconveniences resulting from the dislocation of the scheduled Board meeting to the County Extension Office conference room.

Discussion and Prioritization of Future Solid Waste Options

Chairman Lewis noted the following options to date which would meet the DEQ landfill closure deadline:

- Private owned transfer station/materials recycling facility (MRF) located in the area with waste not able to be recycled or reused trucked to a mega-landfill (Need updated proposal from RRR, LLC to be able to consider);
- Private owned retrofit of existing building at the landfill into a transfer station/MRF with C&D landfill developed onsite with waste that is not recovered, reused or recycled trucked to a mega-landfill (two proposals received on July 20th with questions provided and replied to in August with no discussion of action by Authority);
- County retrofitting the existing unused building at the landfill into a transfer station/MRF and developing a C&D landfill on site with waste that is not recovered, reused or recycled trucked to a mega-landfill or to a nearby municipal owned landfill; and
- Waste to be taken directly to a nearby municipal owned landfill (letter of interest sent and response received).

The Authority accepted an unsolicited PPEA proposal it received for waste to energy as the conceptual phase for other proposals to be submitted to the Authority (unsolicited proposal needs thorough review and evaluation with question to proposer along with in-depth due diligence including visit to prototype).

In response to a question from Supervisor Riegel, Ms. Huffman stated RRR, LLC suspended negotiations with the County until it can conclude ongoing negotiation with the City of Buena Vista. Supervisor Riegel questioned whether all of the previous work

with respect to negotiations would be null and void to which Ms. Collins replied the Authority would have to request an updated proposal from RRR, LLC.

After some discussion, Authority consensus was collection centers are central to any approach the County takes to meet its solid waste management needs; therefore, the desire to accelerate the schedule process for collection centers. Ms. Collins stated the centers are for residential waste as opposed to commercial and industrial waste collection.

Other topics of discussion were 1) the possible need for a citizen education/ outreach program, 2) the land acquisition for collection center sites and the difficulties experienced in the past, 3) the enforcement of the centers, 4) the best collection site determinations based on accessibility, convenience and central locations, 5) the possibility of a "pay-as-you-throw" incentive, and 6) reactivation of prior waste committee to offer recommendations to the Authority.

Staff was directed to review process of collection site determinations, seek site suggestions from C & S Disposal, and move forward with process. With regard to reactivating the waste committee, staff was directed to research the original committee member makeup and determine the willingness to continue to serve if the Authority would choose to reinstate.

The Authority discussed the pros and cons of each option in detail. After a lengthy discussion, Supervisor Comstock moved that the Authority narrow its scope of options on a parallel track to A) the County retrofitting the existing unused building at the landfill into a transfer station/MRF and developing a C&D landfill on site with waste that is not recovered, reused or recycled trucked to a mega-landfill or to a nearby municipal owned landfill, and B) waste be taken directly to a nearby municipal owned landfill and on a parallel track nomination of a review committee the unsolicited PPEA proposal and any other which may be submitted by the RFP. Supervisor Smith provided the second and the motion carried by 4-1 roll call vote.

AYES: Comstock, Smith, Ford, Riegel

NAYES: Lewis

ABSENT: None

Discuss Membership of Review Committee for Unsolicited PPEA Proposal

By consensus, the Authority appointed the following members to serve on the Review Committee: Chairman Lewis, Supervisor Comstock, Claire Collins, Bob Claytor, Richard Rathmell, Al Carr, and Fred Fevrier. Supervisor Comstock suggested Ms. Huffman assist the Committee when needed in an advisory role.

Adjourn

Hearing no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.