

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 8:00 P.M., February 24, 1992, for the purpose of a Special Called meeting by the Chairman to receive a report from the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The meeting began at 8:20 P.M. The reason for the time delay in beginning the meeting was due to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting did not finish until 8:20 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ed Worley, Chairman

Junior Dew, Vice Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Samuel G. Koonce

Mike Richardson

James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney

Roy L. Lowe, Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to the Board

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

David McPherson, Chairman

Rhone Anderson

Randy Britt

Kenneth Gore

Winston Gore

Billy Hooks

Kenny Horne

Charles Lennon

Terray Suggs

Ray Wyche

Garland McCullen

Dempsey Herring, Ex-Officio

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Nathaniel Lennon

Ivan Wilson

Clemmons Jacobs

Chairman Worley called the meeting to order and thanked the Solid Waste Advisory Committee for the dedication and committment in seeking a recommendation for the best alternative to solid waste management in Columbus County.

The Chairman then turned the meeting over to David Lee McPherson, Solid Waste Advisory Committee Chairman, to report on the Committee's findings and recommendation.

SOLID WASTE REPORT - CHAIRMAN DAVID L. MCPHERSON

David Lee McPherson thanked the Committee for working well together and especially thanked Dempsey Herring for the job he has done in providing all the information that was needed by any committee member.

Chairman McPherson interpreted Senate Bill 111, a mandate to improve the management of solid waste in North Carolina.

In our search for a process, we have sought to find processes that are economically feasible, environmentally sound, and moreover, just what is best for the people of Columbus County in the next 30 years.

The following solid waste disposal options were explored by the Committee:

1. Pelletizing solid waste to be used for a type of fuel.
2. Composting solid waste is treated so it will decompose and can be used as a direct substitute and fertilizer filler material.
3. Hauling of solid waste to a site located out of Columbus County.
4. Columbus County to reinstate itself back into the solid waste business.
5. Incineration (burning of solid waste).
6. Waste to Energy using solid waste in a combustor burner to create steam or electricity.
7. Regional landfill in Columbus County.

Mr. McPherson reported that it was a majority opinion of the 15 member committee (13-2 vote) that the regional landfill concept is the most effective and the most economical for Columbus County. The priority list is as follows:

Priority #1. Regionalization.

Priority #2. Hauling waste out of the County.

Priority #3. County getting back into the landfill business.

SOLID WASTE - REPORT ACCEPTED

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unanimously to accept the Solid Waste Advisory Committee's report as presented.

SOLID WASTE - BEGIN REGIONAL LANDFILL NEGOTIATIONS

A motion was made by Commissioner Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and passed unaniously to proceed with negotiations to build a regional landfill in Columbus County with a firm equitable contract with Chambers Development Company with the stipulation that Chambers is to search throughout Columbus County to find a list of suitable sites to be considered.

SOLID WASTE - JAMES WORLEY REQUEST TO PRESENT FACTS ON BALING SYSTEM

James Worley, addressed the Board in reference to a solid waste baling system alternative for the County to consider as he did not receive information in time to include it in the study and is still attempting to compile the cost figures. Mr. Worley stated that he did not have the complete report on the program and it will be approximately one week before he can report a final analysis. Mr. Worley questioned the Board if the solid waste baling would be considered if he continued with compiling the data.

The Board concurred to allow James Worley, with the assistance of Dempsey Herring, to proceed with the study on baling solid waste as the County will now be considering solid waste contract negotiations and will not be finalized for sometime and baling may be an alternative if negotiations fail.

SOLID WASTE NEGOTIATING CONTRACT COMMITTEE TO BE CONSIDERED

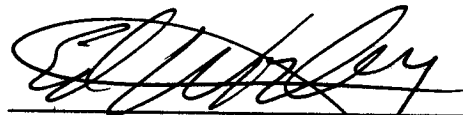
The Board discussed to consider appointing a separate negotiating committee to help finalize a contract with Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 P.M.

APPROVED:


Clerk to the Board


Chairman