

**LANDFILL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
March 7th, 2023
3:00 P.M.**

Present: Ben Bridges, A.J. Ford, Johnny Buckley and DeWayne Ramsey. Absent: None. Also present: L.W. Nolan, Nathan Pilgreen, Brenda Abercrombie, Justin Echols, Milas Davidson, Tommy Durrett, Mike Holley, Greg Gossler, Joe Addy, Justin Mills, Austin Phares, Mr. Hill, Danielle Harkins, Tammy Ramsey and Lynn Ramsey.

Mr. Bridges called the meeting to order. Mr. Ramsey led the group in prayer.

Motion Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mr. Ramsey and declared adopted by unanimous vote to approve the agenda as written.

Motion Mr. Buckley, seconded by Mr. Ford to approve the minutes of the February 7th, 2023 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The Public Works Director addressed the Landfill Committee regarding overtime at the Landfill. Currently employees are allowed to clock in as soon as they get to the office and his/her time starts immediately. Mr. Durrett would like to change this so that the employees can clock in no earlier than 15 minutes before their scheduled time to start the day. Employees would also have to clock out 5 minutes prior to their scheduled ending time. No overtime should be accumulated by following this format. The only overtime would be approved by a supervisor. The Committee authorized Mr. Durrett to address this issue with the Landfill employees. **No formal action is needed by the committee.**

A brief discussion was held regarding tipping fees. Mr. Echols reported that one (1) company continues to be late with payments. McLemore is currently 60 days behind and owes in excess of \$90,000. **No formal action is needed by the committee.**

A brief discussion was held regarding the off-road truck. **Motion Mr. Ramsey, seconded by Mr. Ford to recommend to the full jury to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to advertise for an off-road truck once the specs have been provided by the Public Works Director. Motion carried unanimously.**

A brief discussion was held regarding the sewer connection to the Farmerville Waste Water Treatment Plant. Mr. Bridges met with the Town of Farmerville's engineer for the project. Last year an approximate estimate in the amount of \$600,000 was provided for a new lift station and new force main. The annual Landfill training will be held on March 22nd. Mr. Bridges will meet with the Town of Farmerville's engineer and Mr. Fourrier at 1:00 PM. The meeting will take place at the Union Parish Landfill. **No action taken.**

A brief update was given on the rental of the front load garbage truck. The rental price is \$10,000 a month with a minimum of a three (3) month rental. There will be a \$3.00 a mile delivery fee. **No action taken.**

A brief discussion was held regarding the compactor bids. Mr. Bridges reported that bids were received at 9AM today for a compactor. Two bids were received for the compactor: Louisiana Cat submitted a bid in the amount of \$1,540,113.55 and Lyle Machinery submitted a bid in the amount of \$1,179,320.00. Mr. Bridges stated that the machines are different brands. Before a decision can be made, Mr. Bridges is requesting that the Public Works Director and the Landfill Superintendent take a look at the Tana Landfill Compactor to see how it compares to the Caterpillar. **No action taken.**

There being no more business to come before the committee, Mr. Bridges declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Ramsey and duly seconded by Mr. Buckley on this the 7th day of March, 2023.

Ben Bridges, Chairman
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer