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August 13, 2008

Allen Gaither
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Re: Permit Modification

Dear Mr. Gaither,

As we discussed, we would like to request a modification regarding our Solid Waste Permit (95-03-T) and Wood waste Treatment and Processing Facility(95-02-TP). After purchasing an annual permit, the residents of the following Counties will be allowed to use our Convenience Centers and our Solid Waste Facility. We would like to add the following Counties to our service area; Wilkes, Ashe, Avery, Caldwell, and Johnson.

A copy of the minutes for the approved change is attached. If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Donna Watson

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Administrative Assistant II

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Commissioner Moretz, seconded by Vice-Chairman Winkler, moved to approve the July 15, 2008, agenda as amended.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

PUBLIC HEARING TO ALLOW CITIZEN COMMENT ON APPALCART'S RURAL OPERATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ROAP) APPLICATION

Chairman Deal declared the public hearing open at 6:05 P.M. to allow for comment on AppalCART's application for funding through the FY 2009 Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP). Mr. Chris Turner, AppalCART's Director, discussed recommendations for the County's $154,745 allocation for FY 2009.

There being no public comment, Chairman Deal declared the public hearing closed at 6:11 P.M.

Vice-Chairman Winkler, seconded by Commissioner Cooper, moved to approve the submission of the FY 2009 ROAP grant application as presented by Mr. Turner.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

PUBLIC HEARING TO ALLOW CITIZEN COMMENT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLID WASTE OPERATIONS ORDINANCE

Chairman Deal declared the public hearing open at 6:12 P.M. to allow for comment on proposed changes to the Solid Waste Operations Ordinance.

Deputy County Manager Geouque stated that the changes were as indicated in Article 4, Section B, on page 4 of the ordinance and allowed non-County residents to use the County Sanitation facilities for a fee of $125 annually plus the subsequent tipping fee. The amendments had been prepared as directed during budget work sessions.

There being no public comment, Chairman Deal declared the public hearing closed at 6:14 P.M.

Commissioner Cooper, seconded by Commissioner Moretz, moved to adopt the Solid Waste Operations Ordinance as amended with an effective date of July 16, 2008, at 8:00 A.M.

VOTE: Aye-5
Nay-0

27. "Yard Waste" - Solid waste consisting of vegetative matter resulting from landscaping maintenance such as leaves, grass, limbs, and trimmings.

ARTICLE IV. COUNTY-WIDE COLLECTIONS

The following rules govern the use of container sites and convenience centers owned or operated by Watauga County:

A. No person shall throw or dispose from any house-hold, yard, business or vehicle, any solid waste into drainage ditches, roadways, roadway medians, manholes or other places detrimental to the general environment, but shall dispose of such waste in approved containers or at the solid waste disposal center.

B. County bulk containers for recyclables and mixed solid waste are provided by the County at designated convenience centers for the exclusive use of part or full-time residents of Watauga County. Non-residents may obtain a permit from the Watauga County Sanitation Department for a fee of $125 to dispose of residential trash at County container sites. The $125 permit fee is subject to change each fiscal year. In addition, the permit allows non-residents to use the County transfer station and pay any related tipping fee associated with the use. Non-residents obtaining a permit will not receive the two thousand pounds free tipping given to County residents who are charged the solid waste fees on ad valorem their tax bill. Commercial/Small Business haulers are not eligible to utilize container sites or the transfer station for out-of-County solid waste. Violators of this section may be prosecuted under NCGS 14-399.

C. With the exception as stated above in Section B, use of solid waste containers at convenience centers is limited to solid waste generated in Watauga County by residential households in the normal day-to-day course of living excluding the following items:

1) Fire, embers, or hot ashes

2) Hazardous or liquid wastes of any type

3) Highly combustible materials

4) Automobile and truck tires

5) Motor vehicles, batteries, or major components thereof

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