

**JUNE 8, 2004
RACELAND, LOUISIANA**

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF LAFOURCHE**

THE LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL SOLID WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE, PARISH OF LAFOURCHE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, WAS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2004, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT THE LAFOURCHE PARISH COUNCIL BARRIOS CENTER, 1612 HWY. 182, SUITE 100, RACELAND, LOUISIANA.

Mr. Phillip Gouaux, Chairman of the Solid Waste Subcommittee, called the meeting to order at 6:33 P.M. Proceedings of the meeting were called to order with the following:

PRESENT: Mr. Michael Delatte, Co-Chair
Mr. L. Phillip Gouaux, II - Chairman
Mr. Brent Callais
Mrs. Charlotte Randolph, Parish President
Mr. Lindel Toups, Council Chairman

ABSENT: None

DISCUSSIONS

The first item (1) on the agenda was a discussion concerning the feasibility of implementing a pickup station in the Raceland area. Mr. Phillip Gouaux stated that this item was addressed at a previous meeting and had discussions with management. He said that they were looking at having an engineer to determine a design of a pickup station in the Raceland area that would be feasible. After doing research, he determined that the numbers would not be attractive by signing a contract with River Birch. Mr. Gouaux then stated that it would be a more attractive contract by selecting the other dump site, being that of Colonial. Mr. Lindel Toups stated his opinions on the issue. Mr. Larry Picciola, Engineer, stated that he talked to Mr. Gouaux and Mr. Jerome Danos, Solid Waste Manager, about the feasibility and cost of a pickup station. He said that more data was available through Solid Waste Disposal Inc.(SWDI). Then, Mr. Picciola stated the importance of coordinating the dump station, the land fill, and the garbage collector, before making any commitments. Discussions continued about studies and reviewing of data from SWDI. Mr. Lindel Toups stated that River Birch gave a price for a five year contract at eleven dollars a ton cheaper than was previously being paid. Mr. Picciola stated that the cost of pickup, transferrals, and disposals should be considered as areas of concern and that transportation is one of the biggest costs. Mr. Roddie Matherne with SWDI stated that you have to look at future expansions to see what would be more feasible. President Randolph spoke of several options that were being looked at regarding the Solid Waste contract. She stated that various aspects in the contract could be changed in the future.

The next item (2) on the agenda was a discussion concerning the deadline for submitting proposals for pickup and disposal of solid waste. Mr. Gouaux stated that they advertised for pickup and disposal, received a response from three companies, being that of BFI, Waste Management and SWDI. He also stated that Mr. Danos met with representatives from the three companies at a pre-bid conference last Wednesday, June 2, 2004. Mr. Gouaux stated that it needs to be determined where the Parish will go with its waste before any negotiations would be made for a pickup contract. He went on to say that two companies are interested in the disposal of solid waste, that being of River

Birch and Colonial. Mr. Gouaux suggested extending the solid waste pickup collection contract. He stated that the objective is to get the full Council's approval of a proposal on the collection contract no later than the first full Council meeting in November, and no later than the first full Council meeting in September for the disposal contract. Mr. Gouaux mentioned that the disposal contract has a sixty day termination clause and that there was no need for an extension. He stated that it would be necessary to make certain of a deadline, to give enough time to the pickup contract to purchase or refurbish the equipment, to start services. A **motion** was offered by Mr. Michael Delatte and seconded by Brent Callais, to present to the full Council a proposal on the collection contract no later than the first full Council meeting in November and no later than the first full Council meeting in September for the disposal contract. The motion *carried* by a vote of three (3) yeas and zero (0) nays.

ADJOURNED

On motion by Mr. Brent Callais, seconded by Mr. Michael Delatte, and with no further business, the Lafourche Parish Council Solid Waste Subcommittee of June 8, 2004, adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

**PHILLIP GOUAUX, CHAIRMAN
LAFOURCHE PARISH SOLID WASTE
SUBCOMMITTEE**

**SHEILA B. BOUDREAUX, COUNCIL CLERK
LAFOURCHE PARISH**