



A Grand City on a CHARMING SCALE

Landfill Department
Rickey Terry - Director

April 1, 2013

To: Decatur City Council
Mayor Don Kyle
Re: Sludge Disposal Rate

Dear Sirs,

The Landfill is requesting to add an additional tipping fee for Waste Sludge Disposal. The proposed fee that we're requesting is \$24.00 per/ton.

The purpose is to remain competitive with surrounding Landfill's rates for this particular waste stream. Waste Sludge is a key revenue stream for the Landfill. It is highly compactable when mixed with other waste and because of its consistency; it takes up far less air-space than the typical waste stream and accelerates gas production.

The customer who would benefit the most from the added tipping fee would be Decatur Utilities. With the reduced tipping fee for this waste stream, Decatur Utilities would be able to reduce or maintain their operating cost and be assured of a long term disposal method.

As with all tipping fees, there is no guarantee that this rate will remain in effect indefinitely. Should the Landfill be required to raise all rates due to economic issues, this rate would be adjusted accordingly. Although we've been able to maintain the current rate for thirteen years, other factors in the future may require an adjustment of all rates.

I've attached a resolution with this letter and appreciate any comments concerning this matter.

Respectfully,

Rickey D. Terry
Director

Cc: Tom Cleveland/Decatur Utilities



ORDINANCE NO. 13-4147

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Decatur, Alabama as follows:

Section 1. That Section 19-38 of the Code of Decatur, Alabama is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 19-38. Waste disposal fees.

Upon approval by the director or his designee that such waste may be disposed of without detriment to the MSW/CD landfill, and was generated within the service area as described in the operating permit (subject to the exceptions contained in this article), then the following charges shall apply to all patrons of the MSW/CD landfill including without limitation the city, other municipal and county governments and agents and contractors thereof. Such charges shall be determined as reflected by scales furnished by the city for such purpose where based on weight, upon which event such waste shall be received by the MSW/CD landfill and unloaded pursuant to the directions of the landfill personnel.

(1) Amounts carried by all types of vehicles, i.e. (residential, C&D, commercial, dead animals), per ton . . . \$26.00

(2) Minimum charge, whether by hand, automobile, pickup or other vehicle (except for tires and charges determined by cu/yd.) up to 800 pounds . . . 10.00

(3) For extremely bulky (less than four hundred (400) pounds per cu/yd.) and rigid and uncompactable waste, which by the judgment of the director or supervisor are more difficult than normal to dispose of, charges shall be based on volume. Volume shall be determined by measuring length × width × height of the container and dividing by 27 to determine the cubic yard capacity, charges per cubic yard . . . 7.00

(4) For disposal of fly-ash identified as being a gray to black, fined-grained material produced as boiler residue, with a dry uncompacted weight of approximately thirty-five (35) pounds per cubic foot and with results of test of samples of the material and its leachate not exceeding the maximum limits for metals and other parameters established by the Environmental Protection Agency or the Alabama Department Of Environmental Management, per uncompacted cubic yard . . . 1.125

(5) For disposal of passenger tires, per tire . . . 2.00

For disposal of all other tires, ie; (tractor trailer, heavy equipment, farm, industrial), per ton . . . 100.00

(6) For disposal of asbestos, having met or exceeding current ADEM and EPA regulations and landfill policies, per ton . . . 100.00

(7) For disposal of dirt and other material suitable for daily cover, per ton . . . 21.00

(8) For disposal of non-municipal solid waste hauled in a roll-off container with a container capacity of ten (10) cubic yards or greater, per cubic yard . . . 3.00

(9) For disposal of Waste Sludge ... 24.00”

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective upon its approval and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this _____ day of May, 2013.

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved this _____ day of May, 2013.

Mayor, City of Decatur