



**Chatham County Environmental Review Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** October 10, 2011

**Location:** Dunlap Classroom

**Committee Members Present:**

Vic D'Amato                      Martha Girolami  
Jerry Cole                         Steve Meads

**Present:** Dan LaMontagne, County Director of Environmental Quality  
Sally Kost, County Commissioner

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**Note:** Motions and resolutions are noted in **red**. Other actions are noted in **blue**

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1. Public Input and Review of Previous Minutes

None

2. Staff Comments (Dan LaMontagne)

**Randolph County Landfill:**

Dan reported that this landfill project is moving ahead quickly. Golder is the consultant.

Sally noted that the public did not know about this yet.

As for a possible future Chatham landfill, the county must serve other counties or else the State will not approve it. The County currently contracts with Waste Management to haul our waste to Roseboro operated/owned by Waste Industries.

**Watershed Review Board:**

Once the ERC is filled, this committee will also serve as the Watershed Review Board.

The WRB is a quasi legal board and members will need training.

**January Report to the BOC:**

3. Introductions:

Jerry Cole – new member

Steve Mead – new member

Martha Girolami

Vic D'Amato

4. Miscellaneous Topics

**Concerns over Fracking:**

The Committee needs to get informed. NC DENR study will be released in May 2012.

Need the link to watch gas executive Fromkin's presentation to the BOC.?

Ephemeral Streams: Current regulations require 30 foot buffers. Developers are pushing for possible changes – elimination of buffers or using ephemeral streams for BMP's. Changes to this regulation must come before the WRB which would make a recommendation to the BOC .

Lake Jordan Rules:

Has buffers specified in County plan as part of nutrient removal. Also must go over the Stormwater Ordinance. This goes to the EMC by May 2012 and then 2-3 months to implement.

Zoning Ordinance Change: Conditional Use permit changes. This will require a public hearing. Much of Chatham is unzoned.

5. Adjourned 8:30 pm.