VOTE REGARDING C&D LANDFILL

On December 9, 2016 Tommy Gamble submitted an application to the Marshall County Commission requesting consideration for a C&D Landfill to be located on the Bishop Landfill in Pleasant Grove Community. The Commission scheduled a Public hearing for March 6, 2017. The hearing was well attended with over one hundred forty citizens. The over-whelming majority voiced their opposition to the landfill. Coincidentally, on the day of the Public Hearing, March 6, 2017 Mr. Gamble attempted to withdraw his application. However in the work session of the Commission meeting it was decided upon advice of Counsel, Clint Maze that the application should be brought up for vote. It was also mentioned that the site of the proposed C&D Landfill is currently under a court order to be properly closed at the owner’s expense. This court order and the required monitoring contained therein has been ignored by land owner(s) since its declaration in circuit court in 2005. Commissioner David Kelley made the motion the landfill application by Mr. Tommy Gamble be rejected. It was duly seconded by Commissioner Swords. Chairman Hutcheson opened the floor for discussion. Commissioner Kelley state he would follow up with the District Attorney and the Attorney General to ensure the old Bishop Landfill was closed and monitoring required by law was completed. He and Chairman Hutcheson also agreed to follow up with ADEM (Alabama Department Environmental Management to ensure the monitoring and closing of the old landfill.

County Attorney Clint Maze recommended the Commission pass a resolution at the next scheduled meeting, spelling out the facts learned at the public hearing. He also suggested calling on ADEM to reactivate the litigation from 2006 and properly close the landfill.

The vote on the motion to reject the application was then called by Chairman Hutcheson. The vote to reject then passed with all four commissioners voting to reject Tommy Gamble's application.