



**Beaufort County Keep Beaufort County Beautiful Board Meeting  
November 14, 2019, 3:00pm  
Port Royal Maritime Center, Okatie, SC**

**Attendees:**

Christopher Campbell, District 1  
Michael Murphy, Chairman, Council District 2  
Pamela Floyd, Council District 3  
Kathleen Bray, Council District 4  
Carol Murphy, VChair, Council District 5  
Joan Gualdoni, Sec., Council District 6  
Joanie Iaco, Council District 7  
Eileen Hutton, Council District 8  
Randy Boehme, Council District 9  
Diane Voge, Council District 10  
Jean Fruh, Council District 11

**Absentees:**

n/a

**Guests:**

Mike Bennett, i2Recycle

**Support Staff:**

Cindy Carter, Solid Waste Coordinator  
Caroline Dolbey, Volunteer Coordinator  
Artrell Horne, Litter Control Supervisor

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm

- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Mr. Boehme requested to add Education and Enforcement to Item 5
- b. **Approval of Minutes (09/12/2019):** Chairman Murphy requested a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Voge motioned; Ms. Bray seconded. All approved

1. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Board members present introduced themselves
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment
3. **REPORTS FROM BOARD REGARDING MEETINGS WITH COUNTY COUNCIL:** Council members Sommerville, Howard, Hervochon, Covert and Passiment have been contacted. Unfortunately, none were available to attend today's meeting per scheduling conflicts. Mr. Campbell indicated there has been ongoing dialog with Councilman Dawson with pending project ideas in the Dale community.
4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
  - a. **Updates from Sub-Committees:** Ms. Voge reported that OLLI classes were successful. USC-Beaufort Campus would like to repeat all three. Contacts have been made for USC-Bluffton and Hilton Head options.
  - b. **Beautification Project Updates: Friends of Gardens Corner** – projects take time! No update. **Sams Point Road** – there are issues with design. Landscape architect required. **Dale** – possible locations being identified. Kinlock and Keans Neck areas are being reviewed. Discussions with SCDOT per "Dale" signage. **McGarveys Corner** – Chairman Murphy spoke to Southern Beautification Board meeting. Project on hold. Comments made that County vehicles continue to park under tree. Chairman Murphy will contact Mark Roseneau. **Veronica Miller Memorial** – Chairman Murphy reported that park staff need to remove a maple tree. Laura Lee Rose has proposed plants and design. Ms. Carter spoke with JW Weatherford (Hunting Island Park Manager) per KBCB Board request to County Public Works concerning wall construction at water feature. Weatherford advised that area discussed with Friends of Hunting Island is discouraged. Chairman Murphy will contact Weatherford. Mr. Boehme commented that KBCB and Southern

Beautification Board merger options. Chairman Murphy discussed history of KBCB formation. Mr. Boehme encourages collaboration with Southern Beautification Board to prevent duplication of services and/or projects.

- c. **Veronica Miller Award (nomination requirements):** No action. Reminder of committee members (Gualdoni, Bray and C. Murphy) for development of selection criteria.
  - d. **Plastics Update:** Chairman Murphy defers to presentation by Mike Bennett of i2Recycle.
  - e. **Walmart Community Grant Application:** There have been issues with downloading the application form. The grants are ongoing. Will revisit after the holidays. Chairman Murphy requests reusable bag specifications from Ashley Jenkins.
5. **NEW BUSINESS:** While prepping for speaker, announcements made that Dave Wilhelm was promoted to Assistant County Administrator for Public Works and Sustainability; Neil Desai will start as Public Works Director (starting November 18, 2019); Artrell Horne should be commissioned as Litter Officer per Council meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup>.
- a. **i2Recycle – Mike Bennett:** Mr. Bennett discussed his business i2Recycle on Hilton Head Island (Sea Pines). Large range of clients. Recycling is a complex project. Markets are currently depressed which is causing a renaissance in the US industry due to restrictions per China Sword. Education is key. We need a cleaner material for processing which might mean changing the collection process. Mr. Bennett displayed several samples of processed plastics. China is now investing for refining commodities in the US. Tony Wartko, with Sea Pines Resorts, welcomes the Board to visit their facilities to view their sustainability in many programs. Bennett reminds that recycling starts with analyzing purchasing. I2Recycle currently has a small glass crusher project and processed material (sand) was circulated to Board members.
  - b. **SC Recycling Professionals Conference; Waste Con 2019 (Phoenix AZ) update:** Ms. Carter reported that Ashley Jenkins was unable to attend. Discussion will be deferred to next meeting. The new 2019 Bolt EV (with Moondog Animation wrap) was on-site at the meeting. Ashley will be present at the Port Royal Farmer’s Market on November 16, 2019 for America Recycles Day.
  - c. **Heritage Farm Project:** Attendees were provided a copy of proposal. Chairman Murphy requested that Tanner Powell discuss the project at the next meeting
  - d. **Education and Enforcement:** Mr. Boehme discussed his Adopt-A-Highway area on Highway 46 (May River Road). Litter has been continuous. Education and Enforcement is a must! Mr. Boehme is working with Beaufort County and Town of Bluffton police. The violation of truck ban route in Bluffton will result in \$1,000 fine. Mr. Campbell stated Sheldon is a mess again. Hauler meeting proposed.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment
7. **BOARD REQUESTS:** There were no Board requests
8. **ADJOURNMENT:**
- a. The meeting adjourned at 4:31 pm. The next meeting is February 13, 2020, at the Port Royal Maritime Center, 130 Okatie Highway, Okatie, SC 29909 2:00 pm. Chairman Murphy will poll members via e-mail to include an extra meeting in either December 2019 or January 2020.