

# Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting

## Thursday, April 20, 2006, 2:00 p.m.

### Public Works Conference Room

**Attendees:** Mr. Earl Dietz, Chairman and District 8 Representative  
Mr. Gerald W. Stewart, District 9 Representative  
Mr. Gordon Bowers, District 7 Representative  
Mr. Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison  
Mr. Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison  
Mr. James Minor, SWR Superintendent  
Mr. Eddie Bellamy, Public Works Director  
Gary B. Jones, OPS Foreman  
Mrs. Carol Murphy, Recycling Coordinator  
Ms. Billie Lindsay, Recycling Coordinator

**Absentees:** VACANT, District 7 Representative  
VACANT, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
VACANT, District 3 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
VACANT, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
VACANT, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
Mr. Robert Washington, District 5 Representative  
Mr. Leland McCormack, DHEC Liaison  
Ms. Alice Howard, MCAS Liaison

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- The minutes for the March 2006 meeting were read and approved with the following correction:
    - In the Budget 2007 section Mr. Stewart pointed out that Mr. Bowers motion and his second to approve the budget was passed unanimously
    - It was also noted that the District 7 representative has not been replaced and that Laura Bailey would be leaving the Town of Bluffton, leaving the District 4 Ex-Officio slot vacant
  - A general discussion of the DOC commodity problems was held.
    - It was noted that Crown Recycling was the new contractor for tires paying \$100 per ton disposal rate.
    - The county collects approximately 2000 tires p/mo limiting citizens to 4 tires per trip to the DOC.
  - The monthly report for February was reviewed and accepted.
    - Reviewing 5 years of data shows the month of Feb to be significantly lowest month of the year in all areas of disposal, pulls, recycling
    - Disposal budget should reach 160K by the end of the year
    - The City of Beaufort runs its own program, taking non paying commodities to MRF at Hickory Hill. They receive diversion credits for tonnage they sell, and County pays WM \$62 p/ton for processing.
    - Mr. Minor would like to change the diversion plan
    - Mr. Dietz mentioned that the Solid Waste Board in the past had recommended that the diversion credits be stopped
  - Review of DOC Trend Lines, data starting on 00/01
    - Early data appears distorted, counters were instituted in 02 for better accuracy
    - Dropping trend lines suggest examining closing Cuffy and Coffin Point DOC's
    - Mr. Stewart asked that the county look into adding a recycling center at Sun City since haulers will not pickup up recycling as part of hauling trash
    - Prichardville DOC increase should level out when new Simmonsville opens
  - Capital Improvements
    - Mr. Bellamy explained elevation problems at new Simmonsville DOC causing delay of opening
    - Approx 30 cu.yds of debris that has to be removed that cannot be used in the construction
    - Suitable for berms

- New DOC Procedure
  - Mr. Minor informed the board that the DOC's will no longer be used as reuse/swap centers because of fights and other problems over materials
  - Attendants have been asked to handle all materials as disposal. If any citizens try to salvage from containers and will not stop when asked, DOC attendants are to call 911 and have them arrested because of safety hazards and other problems
  - Mr. Minor would also like to eliminate trailers at smaller DOC's because of space
- EOI Pre-proposal Conference
  - 4 Companies showed: WM, Republic, WPro, and an unknown. Pratt did not have a rep in attendance.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> time in history that county has tried the EOI, cost free
  - Working towards RFP Process
  - Mr. Stewart asked for clarification on what can be told to the SWM board
- Ms. Lindsay and Ms. Murphy presented the Recycling Coordinators report for March 2006.
  - Mr. Minor reviewed the DHEC grants, items to be requested reviewed.
  - The Household Haz Mat pickup plans are underway with exceptional cooperation by Fire Depts.
  - The Rechargeable Battery recycling program at all DOC's will be instituted in conjunction with Earth Day
  - Ms. Lindsay is working on organizing the data base system for solid waste & recycling info
  - Members received new copies of the updated county recycling brochure w/new logo
- The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.
- Due to military reserve commitments, Mr. Minor asked that the May meeting be changed. The Board agreed to change the next meeting to May 25, 2006 and will be held at the Public Works Conference Room at 2:00 p. m.

Cc: Mr. Gary T. Kubic, County Administrator  
 Mr. Harold C. Boehm, Deputy Administrator Public Services / Land Management Department  
 Miss Suzanne Rainey, Clerk to Council