

# Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting

## Thursday, May 17, 2007, 2:00 p.m.

### Public Works Conference Room

**Attendees:** David R. Uehling, District 6 Representative  
Gordon Bowers, District 7 Representative  
Earl Dietz, Chairman and District 8 Representative  
George Potts, District 9 Representative  
Eddie Bellamy, Public Works Director  
James Minor, Solid Waste Manager  
Carol Murphy, Recycling Coordinator  
Billie Lindsay, Recycling Coordinator  
Officer Toni Doyle, Litter Officer NOB  
Cpl. Richard Black, Litter Officer SOB  
Harold C. Boehm, Deputy Administrator

**Absentees:** Susie Fripp Gordon, District 5  
VACANT, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
Walter Becker, District 3 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
VACANT, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
VACANT, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio)  
Leland McCormack, DHEC Liaison  
Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison  
Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison

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- Chairman Dietz called the meeting to order at 2:04.
- The minutes were reviewed and Mr. Bowers Motioned, Mr. Potts seconded, all approved as written.
- Monthly report for March was reviewed
  - Budget is online at for hauling and disposal
  - Recycling Services at 74% and diversion at 41%
  - DOC traffic still increasing at Hilton Head, Bluffton and Pritchardville
  - Recycling revenue/credits YTD totals \$261,615.
- Waste Management's proposed changes to Recycling Contract
  - The renewal was sent up the chain for approval. It includes:
    - Not paying processing on commercial recycling
    - WM paying \$12,000 toward education
    - WM will continue to pay the county 50% of sales of materials
    - Hauling charges to flat rate of \$110 per pull
- Recycling Coordinators Report
  - A brief PPT was presented noting the successes of the first year of the Recycling Coordinators position
  - An investment in this position yielded \$81,000 in grants, events and education, and improvements to collection and information systems.
  - Mr. Minor reviewed the DHEC Annual report noting that Beaufort is now at a 33% rate and the state goal is 35%. Ms. Lindsay is investigating one of the numbers supplied by DHEC to be sure there is no double counting because we do not want to show a decrease in our rate.
- Litter Officers' Reports
  - Officer Doyle reported on her continuing dealings with illegal dumping, improper loads and litter.
  - Cpl. Black reported on his recent trip to Daufuskie Island and many commercial contractors dumping illegally in residential containers.
  - More complaints are being received and handled daily showing that their positions are credible thus improving things in the county through education and enforcement.
- Ordinance Review
  - A lengthy discussion was held as Mr. Deitz/s list of suggestions were reviewed by all.

- Definitions
  - Solid Waste Management Facility – Conven. Ctrs should be added to cover 62-12(1)
- 62-5 - There are some inconsistent parts
- (c)(1) Says <15 lbs shall be fined \$200 and there are fines for 2nd and 3rd offence
- D Says >15 lbs not less than \$200 or more than \$500. There are no fines listed for 2nd and 3rd offenders. Maybe the wording is for something slightly over 15 lbs the judge might only fine \$200
- E There are no fines listed for 2nd and 3rd offenders.
- 62-11 By the "any person" this prohibits the sorting and salvaging by Barnwell and others.
- 62-12 (5) Here and some other places that I will list later it refers to subject of penalty provision of this chapter. I could not find these but they may be in section of the chapter that I do not have.
- Maybe a (9) that has a fine of \$200 should be added.
- 62-14(6) Top of page 16 "cleanup fee structure below" There isn't any.
- 62-22(1) Says by roll cart of bin, 6223(2) and (7) suggest single use paper or plastic or cardboard boxes are .
- 62-24(1) 3rd line suggest adding commas as follows ...such covering, or load, ...
- 62-24 What are the fines for violations of this section?
- 62-25(2) 2nd line add "of" after disposal (3) Mixed message. Why not stop after hazardous waste.
- 62-30 C. 1. Suggest putting pickup definition in the Definition Section. Maybe as follows
- A pickup truck is a motor truck with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of less than 11,500 pounds, and unloaded weight of less than 8,001 pounds, which is equipped with an open box-type bed less than nine (9) feet in length. Pickup truck does not include a motor vehicle, otherwise meeting the above definition that is equipped with a bed-mounted storage compartment commonly called a utility body.
- Then 1. could read 1. No trucks larger than a pickup truck or utility trailer with a bed larger than eight (8) feet long, five (5) feet wide and twenty eight (28) inches side height are allowed at convenience centers.
- 2. Suggest adding : Loaded trailers pulled by a pickup truck not loaded with solid waste are allowed
- Then suggest adding a new 5.
  - 5. The Director may deem that trailers at specific convenience centers are a hazard or an inconvenience and may bar them from that convenience center.
- 62.31 G I thought agreed to take out the non-county based collectors fee.
- 62-52 Purpose How about adding "the director and" after advise in the second line?
- 62-53(d) How about "may" rather than "shall"?
- There are several places where the fines are defined as stated in this chapter 62-12(5), 62-14, 62-23, and 62-24. Maybe Chapter 26 has a fines section, if not they should be added here.
- Mr. Minor will insert all changes as discussed and noted by the board.
- Mr. Bellamy suggested that it be presented to council with a cover letter noting the key changes
- Mr. Bellamy would like as many board members present when this is presented to the Public Works committee, possibly June 21, but probably in July.
- The board would like to have one more review if possible.
- Mr. Bowers motioned, Mr. Potts seconded that the Solid Waste and Recycling Board strongly participated in the revision of the Solid Waste Ordinance and recommends approval to the County Council. The Board members unanimously approved this motion.
- Meetings with RW Beck Consultants on Regional Opportunities
  - Mr. Bellamy and Mr. Minor will be meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss Beck's findings with Mr. Kubic
- Other Business
  - The McTeer bridge traffic problems have not significantly affected operations of island centers once haulers and citizens learned to manage new traffic patterns.
- The Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.
- The next meeting will be held Jun 21, 2007, 2:00 pm at the Public Works Conference Room.

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