

Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting
Thursday, June 25, 2009, 2:00 p.m.
BIV – 2 Conference Room

Attendees:

Earl Dietz, Chairman & District 8 Representative
Gordon Bowers, V, Chairman & District 7 Representative
Leroy Norris, District 5 Representative
David R. Uehling, District 6 Representative
Walter Becker, District 3 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Eddie Bellamy, Public Works Director
James Minor, Solid Waste Manager
Carol Murphy, Recycling Coordinator
Beth Lewis, Information Coord/Analyst
Billie Lindsay, Planning
Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison
Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison
Tom Soder, S&P Recycling
Council Member
Paul Summerville

Absentees:

George Potts, District 9 Representative
VACANT, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio)
VACANT, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)
VACANT, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Alice Derian, Town of Hilton Head Island (Ex-Officio)
Leland McCormack, DHEC Liaison
Rob McFee, Public Services Director
Cpl. John Eckard, Litter Officer
Cpl. Richard Black, Litter Officer

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- **Call to Order:** Chairman Dietz called the meeting to order at 2:04.
 - **Minutes:** The Board approved the May 2009 minutes.
 - **Monthly Reports**
 - Mr. Minor reviewed the May Reports noting that the close of the fiscal year might not be available until August.
 - Recycling services are over budget amounts because of the economic downturn and resulting reuction in commodity proceeds. The new processing fees started in May is reducing the cost from \$62 to \$24 p/ton.
 - Recycling tonnage should reach the record of 7,000 tons this year.
 - Mr. Dietz pointed out that recycling now through contract changes and improvements: costs less than disposal.
 - 2009 Proceeds from recycling are estimated to be about \$250k
 - Hauling costs have increased to accommodate the closing of Hickory Hill on Sundays. The county must pay an additional hauling and disposal fee to allow Republic to take MSW to Savannah on the weekend or we will have garbage “on the ground”.
 - Mr. Minor noted that the City of Beaufort contract had been awarded to Waste Pro.
 - **Litter Officers’ Reports**
 - The Litter Officers report was presented by Ms. Murphy. The officers continue to work with other agencies on illegal dumping and other issues; this month noting an OCRM case.
 - **Coordinators’ Report**
 - \$230,000 has been collected in revenue and or credits from recycling activities for fiscal year 2009
 - Educational Events: Critterfest, ECO Camp and Green Drinks
 - **Unfinished Business**
 - Hilton Head Recycling
 - Mr. Becker reported that development of a Town Recycling ordinance is ongoing.
 - Ladies Island Renovations
 - Mr. Bellamy announced that the after full review, consideration of budget functions and other reductions that the Ladies Island center would be closed rather than renovated. This is the staff recommendation and has council support
 - Publicity will be note that the modern, full service center is only 2.4 miles from the LI center and will advise of the closing in advance,
 - As now an urban area, Ladies Island should be addressing addition of curbside rather than rural drop off centers. .Curbside was the recommended collection methodology in the county’s solid waste plan.
 - Mr. Bowers as the LI district 7 representative understood this as an economic decision. He asked that the traffic lane and signage issues be corrected at the St Helena center to accommodate the increase in traffic.
 - Mr. Dietz requested that full publicity address this closing and use of other centers.

- New Shanklin Convenience Center on Shanklin Road
 - Construction and Site prep are finally underway
- Daufuskie Island Convenience Center
 - Proposals in response to the RFP have been received for this project and the review selection is in progress.
- C& D and Yard Waste Disposal RFPs
 - No change in status at this time.
- Scrap Metal & White Goods RFP
 - No change in status at this time.
- Transfer Station Report
 - Approval received to begin RFP for “fatal flaw” analysis of best site for this station
- 2010 Budget
 - The budget was approved with same level of funding and no COL raises for staff but no layoffs either.
 - The packer truck was the only equipment approval in this budget.
- Change of meeting dates
 - November 19 – 10:00 am brief meeting – location TBA. Meeting would be followed by tour of landfill and MRF.
 - December Meeting will be cancelled.
- **New Business**
 - Dept of Energy Block Grant
 - SW&R is on the “green team” for the county and participated in this grant application directed by Billie Lindsay of Planning. \$635k This grant will address several cost savings recycling projects:
 - In-house recycling project to include a staff position, specialized truck, skid loader, bins and roll carts
 - Installation of 5 compactors at the Simmonsville Rd. Convenience Center
 - Lighting retrofit in 6 county buildings, installation of occupancy sensors in rest rooms
 - Attendance at a SC Accredited Energy Manager Workshop
- **The Meeting ended** at 3:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held July 23, 2:00 pm BIV 2 meeting room.

Cc: Mr. Gary T. Kubic, County Administrator
 Miss Suzanne Rainey, Clerk to Council
 Rob McFee, Public Services Director
 Eddie Bellamy, PW Director