

Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting Thursday, April 26, 2012, 2:00 pm BIV – 2 Conference Room

Attendees:

Earl Dietz, Chairman & District 8 Representative John Miller, Supt. Solid Waste & Recycling David R. Uehling, District 6, Representative LaShonda Scott, District 5 Representative Rob McFee, Director of E&I Eddie Bellamy, Public Works Director Leland McCormack, DHEC Liaison Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison James Minor, Solid Waste Manager Beth Lewis, Information Coord/Analyst Carol Murphy, Recycling Coordinator **Guests** Tom Soder, SP Paper

Anne Christnovich, Reporter, Gazette/Packet

Absentees:

George Potts, District 9 Representative Ben Wheatley, District 7 Representative Billie Lindsay, Planning Alice Darian, District 3 Representative (Ex-Officio) Isaiah Smalls, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio) Van Willis, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio) Tammy Malone, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio) **Daufuskie Island Conservancy Karen Opderbeck & Laura Winholt** Ken Berry, The Greenery Bill Scott

- Call to Order: Chairman Dietz called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.
- Agenda: The Agenda was approved as written.
- Minutes: The minutes of March 22, 2012, were approved as written.
- Introductions: All present were introduced.

• Public Comment: Mr. Dietz called for public comment. There being none, the meeting continued.

• Monthly Reports

• Finance Report:

- The Finance Report for the quarter ending 3/31/2012 was distributed and presented by Alicia Holland, Comptroller. She explained at the 9 month the Solid Waste and Recycling had expended 60% of the FY2012 budget at the ned of March or 75% of the fiscal year completed. Which projecting current spending levels forward to year end would result in substantial savings. Ms Holland explained the origins of the Energy Grant which is finishing up this year. We received \$613,000 for energy saving projects including office recycling and compactors.
- Daufuskie Island Conservancy
 - Laura Winholt and Karen Opderbeck of the Daufuskie Island Conservancy presented the Conservancy's plan for solid waste management on Daufuskie Island. They noted that the Conservancy was started in 2005 with a mission to conserve the island's resources. Daufuskie is an 8 sq mile island with 400 full time and 600 part-time residents with ~50,000-200,000 visitors.
 - They reviewed the Joyce Engineering Study funded partially by the Community Foundation. The study suggested consolidating from 3 collection areas to one, Melrose being the best location for all plus it has an existing transfer station permit

from SC DHEC. Mr. Dietz asked the Conservancy when they would be ready to take over waste operations on the island. The Conservancy responded they were not interested in operating a facility that were acting as a facilitator to move the process forward. The Conservancy's purpose is to preserve and protect land use for something other than trash collection plus they would encourage the implementation of curbside pickup.

- Bill Scott is in the process of obtaining the owner of the Melrose property and facility permit. The Greenery is interested in operating the facility.
- Questions and comments from the Board and County staff covered the lack of operating cost projections in the report from Joyce Engineering study and that any change in the operation of the transfer station may subject the facility to new requirements for Transfer station permitting.

• SW&R Monthly Reports:

- Mr. Minor reviewed the April 2012 reports including Tonnage Maps for each type of waste. Total Tonnage for March was 5,503 tons vs. 5,416 in 2011.
- Total March disposal costs were \$206,737. Total hauling costs were \$48,338. Related budgets are on target and below budget in hauling
- Traffic flow was 145,823 patrons for all centers.
- March recycling includes 350.84 tons curbside, 366.69 tons from centers including newspapers. Total to date residential was 717.53 tons. 6,580.64 tons YTD.
- Total March recycling costs were \$20,061. \$191,902 YTD noting the recycling budget expended 55%.
- Recycling proceeds for the year includes: \$136,317 in credits from our contract with Waste Management, \$182, 158 in revenue from scrap metal, newspaper, oil, etc.

• Litter Officers' Reports

- Mrs. Murphy reported the Zero Tolerance Campaign finished up the end of April and that stats would be presented in May.
- Illegal dumping focused on a house trailer and TV's being dumped roadside.

Coordinators' Report

- Mr. Minor reported that the Household Hazardous Waste and Prescription medication collection event took place March 3, 2012. He reported 307+ cars attended the event with 161 cars bringing prescription medications.
- Earth Month Education events included:
 - o Earth Day at the Farmers Market, April 14, 2012
 - Port Royal Crab Festival April 21, 2012
 - Great American Clean Up, Bluffton, April 21, 2012
 - o Earth Day 2012 on Daufuskie Island
 - Habersham Earth Day
 - Habitat for Humanity
 - Hunting Island Beach Sweep 4/28
 - Shelter Cove on Hilton Head
- The public was reminded of the collection event schedule. Special events include
 - May 5, 2012—Saturday 9am-3pm, Electronics Waste & Shredding at two locations Bluffton & Shanklin Public Works
 - May 5, 2012- Saturday 9-3, Bluffton Goodwill, Ewaste and Shredding
 - April 28, 2012-Saturday 9am-3pm— Town of Hilton Head Sponsored(Residents) E-Waste, Hazardous Waste & Prescription Medications Collection
 - May 12, 2012-Saturday 9am-3pm—Hazardous Waste & Prescription Medications Collection, Shanklin Public Works Site, 140 Shanklin Rd.,
- World Oceans Day will be celebrated throughout June:
 - o Totals February 2012

- June 1st Rebuild Oyster Reefs
- o June 2nd & 9th Recycle & Build Workshop with Artist Terry Brennan @ ARTworks
- June 8th Dogs Night Out & Sunset YOGA on the Beach @ Hunting Island State Park
- June 8th Environmental Lectures & Sustainable Seafood Lunch @ Coastal Discovery Museum
- o June 12th Sustainable Seafood Dinner @ Saltus River Grill Tickets available soon
- o June 16th World Oceans Day Festival @ Beaufort Town Center

• Unfinished Business

- Daufuskie Island Convenience Center
 - o No Update
- Transfer Station
 - Mr. Minor noted that other sites are being investigated and that things are moving forward.
- Solid Waste Initiatives
 - Mr. Minor noted that the initiatives will be determined by the budget process.
- Fiscal Year 2013 Budget
 - Mr. Minor stated there will be no increase in the budget this year though several line items were increased such as fuel and professional services to cover household hazardous waste.
 - The SW&R board voted unanimously to support the FY 2013 budget proposal as presented.
- New Business
 - o None
- Public Comment:
 - None
- The Meeting ended at 3:35 pm.
 - The next regular board meeting will be held May 24, 2012, 2:00 pm in BIV 2 Conference Room.
 - A Solid Waste Management Plan Workshop will be held immediately after the regular May meeting.
- Cc: Mr. Gary T. Kubic, County Administrator
 Miss Suzanne Rainey, Clerk to Council
 J. Robert McFee, PE, Division Director, Engineering and Infrastructure
 Eddie Bellamy, PW Director