



Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting

Thursday, February 28, 2:00 pm

BIV – 2 Conference Room

Attendees:

David R. Uehling, VChair, District 6, Representative
George Potts, District 9 Representative
Ben Wheatley, District 7 Representative
James Ayers, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison
Eddie Bellamy, Public Works Director
James Minor, Solid Waste Manager
Beth Lewis, Information Coord/Analyst
Carol Murphy, Recycling Coordinator

Absentees:

LaShonda Scott, District 5 Representative
Isaiah Smalls, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Van Willis, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison
Alicia Holland, Beaufort County Finance Dept.
Rob McFee, Director of E&I
John Miller, Supt. Solid Waste & Recycling
Vacant: District 8 Representative

Guests Attending:

Tom Soder, SP Paper

- **Call to Order:** Acting Chairman Uehling, called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm
- **Agenda:** The agenda was approved as written.
- **Minutes:** The minutes of January 24, 2013, were approved as written.
- **Introductions:** All present were introduced.
- **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.
- **Monthly Reports**
 - **Finance Report:**
 - Ms. Alicia Holland, Finance Department, was attending the council retreat and unavailable for this meeting. Mr. Minor reported on the monthly snapshot asking that any questions should be emailed to him.
 - **SW&R Monthly Reports:**
 - Mr. Minor reviewed the January 2013 reports noting that we are at 62% of the budget year and 59% expended. Mr. Minor noted that there was an unprecedented jump in traffic (+5000) and tonnage in unincorporated Bluffton, almost 250 tons. This anomaly cannot be explained at this time but if it continues will cause the budget to be over spent.
 - Total January 2013 disposal costs were \$205,748 vs. \$178,987 in 2011. Mr. Minor noted that this is a reflection of increased tonnage. Total hauling costs were \$70,559 vs. \$46,642 in 2011. Hauling and disposal were at 59%.
 - Traffic flow was 136,690 patrons for all centers. Counters are repaired and working accurately. The traffic at the Simmonsville Road center reached an all time high of over 38,085. Mr. Minor noted that we had no explanation for the increase and that we would have to watch the trend. There is some question regarding the use of Beaufort County centers by Jasper County Sun City residents and confusion on curbside

charges by haulers.

- The Hilton Head curbside program is working despite difficulties with management of back door service. 162 tons were collected on the new route while the convenience center held steady at 102 tons.
- Total recycling tonnage for January was 756.54 with 70.00 tons of newspaper. Recycling services cost 25,416 during January because proceeds for the month included \$12, 216 in credits from Waste Management. Additionally \$102,120 in revenue from scrap newspaper, oil, etc. was received for the year.

○ **Litter Officers' Reports**

- Mrs. Murphy informed the Board that the litter officers were at the SC Litter Control Annual Conference and would be participating in ZERO Tolerance again this April.
- The actual costs of the Illegal dumping on Sheldon Road discussed in January included: 16 Tons of material, 1 abandoned mobile home, cost to landowner/victim: \$1,000, Staff involved: Code Officers, Litter Officers, SWR Office and the contractor.

○ **Coordinators' Report**

- Mrs. Murphy reminded the viewing public that the Hazardous Waste and Medication Collection in Bluffton would be held March 2, 2013.
- The Clean Marine project is finishing up with Marines from Squadron 273 at the Marine Corps Air Station using Hunting Island beach cleanup for training. The Marines broke apart tons of old cement foundation uncovered by beach erosion near the light house. Disposal funding is provided by the Boat US Foundation Grant and the Beaufort Conservation District.
- Mrs. Murphy commented on the USMC's sustainability efforts for recycling, solar energy, leed certified structures, Mr. Woods, representative from MCRD Parris Island, explained other efforts at the Depot.

○ **Unfinished Business**

- **Transfer Station**
 - Transfer Station Fatal Flaw Analysis – Ongoing
- **SW Management Plan**
 - Mr. Minor reviewed the recommended changes by SC DHEC to the draft of our SWM Plan. Mr. Potts moved that the board approve the updates as presented by staff, Mr. Wheatley seconded and the Board approved the changes. The finished plan would be forwarded to Public Facilities for approval and then adoption by County Council
 - Mr. Bellamy suggested that elections to replace a chairman would be delayed until Mr. Dietz's slot for District 8 could be filled. Mr. Potts motioned and Mr. Wheatley seconded that they wait to vote. Vice Chairman Uehling agreed to act as chair until elections can be held.

○ **New Business**

- RFP on Yard Waste and Construction and Demolition Material
 - The county has managed disposal of these materials through day to day agreements. Purchasing asked that it be bid out as an RFP and the recommendations are gong

forward to the Public Facilities Committee.

○ **Public Comment:**

- Tom Soder, owner and CEO of Erik Thompson, LLC, formerly SP Paper, explained the details of the change and that current contracts remained in effect. He assured the Board that the new company would provide the same quality of services.

○ **The Meeting ended** at 3:05 pm.

- The next regular board meeting will be held March 28, 2013, 2:00 pm in BIV 2 Conference Room.

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