



Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting

Thursday, August 22, 2013 2:00 pm

BIV – 2 Conference Room

Attendees:

David R. Uehling, VChair, District 6, Representative
Dan Duryea District 9 Representative
Ben Wheatley, District 7 Representative
LaShonda Scott, District 5 Representative
Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison
James Ayers, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Eddie Bellamy, Public Works Director
James Minor, Solid Waste Manager
John Miller, Supt. Solid Waste & Recycling
Beth Lewis, Information Coord/Analyst
Carol Murphy, Recycling Coordinator

Absentees:

Vacant: District 8 Representative
Isaiah Smalls, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison
Van Willis, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Chris Vaigneur, SCDHEC Liason
Rob McFee, Director of E&I

Guests Attending:

Freda Clark, Operations Forman, SWR

- **Call to Order:** Acting Chairman Uehling, called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm
- **Election of Officers:** The Board agreed to delay the Election of Officers until the District 8 Representative was appointed.
- **Agenda:** Mr. Duryea motioned, Ms Scott seconded all approved the agenda as written.
- **Minutes:** Mr. Duryea motioned, Ms Scott seconded all approved the minutes as written.
- **Introductions:** All present were introduced.
- **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.
- **Monthly Reports**
 - **Finance Report:**
 - The Finance report was reviewed by Mr. Minor noting that July expenses were not shown yet and the expense of \$850k for the transfer station that was not budgeted.
 - **SW&R Monthly Reports:**
 - Mr. Minor noted that the majority of waste is generated in Bluffton and Hilton Head as the population and tourism centers. C&D waste continues to grow at Simmonsville and St Helena.
 - Members discussed the possibility of adding curbside to unincorporated areas, seeing if gate communities could add centers on their property etc
 - Mr. Minor pointed out that residential disposal for the last quarter increased over last year as an indication of economic improvement.
 - Traffic flow was 149,036 patrons for all centers in June and 1,577,356 for FY13.
 - The Hilton Head curbside program reflects 126.95 tons in the curbside program while the convenience center totaled 88.59 tons.

- Total recycling tonnage for June was 631.58 with 60.05 tons of newspaper. Recycling tonnage for FY 12 was 8892 and 8923 for FY 13. Mr. Minor says that the minimal growth in tonnage reflects the limited changes in the program.
- Recycling costs for FY13 totaled \$252,804. \$156,399 was received in MRF credits. Additionally, \$168,587 in revenue from scrap newspaper, oil, etc. was received for the year.
- **Environmental Crime Unit Reports**
 - The Beaufort County Sheriff's Office is partnering with the Bluffton Police Department and state agencies to create an environmental-crimes unit. Sheriff Tanner said, "The new unit started to come together about three months ago and will save the agencies money as they combine equipment and resources.
 - Mrs. Murphy informed the Board about Jonesville and Miller Roads on Hilton Head where littering and illegal dumping are a continuing problem like in so many areas!
 - Viewers were reminded to secure loads when traveling on the highway.
- **Coordinators' Report**
 - Ewaste and Shredding event will be held 9/21/2013 from 9-3 at public works south and north.
 - October 12, 2013, AAH Groups and KBCB meeting to review contracts and sections, for revitalization, safety review, networking
 - Beach and River Sweep will be held 9/21/2013 at the following locations:
 - Hunting Island State Park – Sept 14th, St. Helena Island, Lands End, Harbor Island, Fripp Island, Town of Bluffton – May River Areas, Bluffton Beach, Islander Beach, Coligny Beach, Hilton Head Island Driessen Beach Park by Starbucks, Burke's Beach, Hilton Head Island Sea Pines Resort and Beaufort County - Beaufort County boat landings may be adopted by interested viewers.
- **Unfinished Business**
 - **Transfer Station**
 - Mr. Minor discussed the potential Transfer station. He reminded viewers that the life of Hickory Hill landfill is 8-13 years and we need to explore other options. He emphasized that nothing has been decided at this point.
 - **Usage of Beaufort County convenience centers by non county residents**
 - Mr. Minor met with MIS and Facilities Management. Possible solutions are being investigated/evaluated.
 - **Flow Control Bill**
 - No action until legislature goes back into session in January.
 - **Renegotiations of Waste Disposal Contract**
 - A disposal contract meeting will be held next week with Waste Management.
 - **3/2/1 Disposal concept**
 - At the smaller convenience centers we are testing use of this method to simplify disposal
 - 3-Bagged Household Garbage
 - 2-C&D which consists of construction items such as sheetrock, carpet, etc plus household items which used to be referred to as bulky. such as furniture, toys, etc.
 - 1-Yard waste and lumber

- We could possibly save up to \$14 per ton if we can divert disposal from of bulky waste from Class Three landfills to Class Two landfills.
- The public will be educated through a press release, handouts and signs
- The Solid waste Board approved the 3/2/1 concept with Ms. Scott motioning, Mr. Duryea Seconding and all approving this concept.
- Mr. Duryea noted that Simmonsville needed it because the attendants struggle with abuse by center visitors. He also took this opportunity to compliment staff at Bluffton for a job well done in a difficult location.
- **New Business**
 - Mr. Uehling would like to explore costs for curbside collection throughout the urbanized areas of the county.
 - Ms Scott asked about meeting bi monthly.
- **Public Comment:**
 - None
- **The Meeting ended** at 3:58 pm.
 - The next regular board meeting will be held September 26, 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