



Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting

Thursday, March 27, 2014 2:00 pm

BIV – 3 Conference Room

Attendees:

Dan Duryea, Chairman, District 9 Representative
David R. Uehling, VChair, District 6, Representative
Kim Corley, District 8 Representative(new)
Ben Wheatley, District 7 Representative
James Ayers, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Chris Vaigneur, SCDHEC Liason
Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison
Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison
Eddie Bellamy, Public Works Director
James Minor, Solid Waste Manager
John Miller, Supt. Solid Waste & Recycling
Carol Murphy, Recycling Coordinator
Robyn Clevinger, Information Coord/Analyst

Absentees:

Isaiah Smalls, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Van Willis, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)
LaShonda Scott, District 5 Representative
Rob McFee, Director of E&I

Guests Attending

Tom Soder, Erik Thomason Enterprises LLC

1. Call to Order: Chairman Duryea, called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm

A. **Agenda:** The agenda was approved as written.

B. **Minutes:** Mr. Duryea motioned, Ms Corley seconded all approved the January 2014 minutes as written.

2. Introductions: All present were introduced.

3. Public Comment: There was no public comment.

4. Monthly Reports

A. Finance Report:

- The Finance report was reviewed by Mr. Minor. Any questions can be directed to Mr. Minor or check the county website.
<http://www.bcgov.net/departments/Finance/finance/documents/SW%20and%20Recycling%20Financials%202.28.14.pdf>

B. SW&R Monthly Reports:

- Mr Minor presented the reports noting that the number of pulls is going down with the 321 plan. Hauling and Disposal are below budget at this time.
- Convenience center totals were down during this time period and probably attributed to the frigid weather.
- Traffic flow was 132k patrons for all centers noting no problems with counters.
- The Hilton Head curbside program was 214 Tons but could be reduced with the end of the Town's Contract with Republic.
- The recycling credits were reviewed. Mr. Minor noted that we have entered a new battery contract with Interstate Battery in Bluffton that includes pickup and payment.

C. Environmental Crime Unit Officers' Report

- Zero Tolerance for Litter annual program was reviewed.

D. Recycling Coordinator's Report

- Viewers were reminded of upcoming events:
 - March 1, 2014- Hazardous Waste & Prescription Meds, Bluffton PW Site
 - April 26, 2014-Hilton Head Town Resident Event, Summit Drive Fire Station
 - May 3,-Hazardous Waste & Prescription Medications, Shanklin PW Site
 - May 17, 2014-Electronics & Paper Shredding, Both Locations

5. Unfinished Business

A. Transfer Station Site

- Mr Duryea suggested that the SWR board write an opinion for council reaffirming the position to council that we must plan for the future.
- Mr. Minor reminded the board that the Solid Waste Management plan recognizes the need for a transfer station. We have been exploring this concept for almost ten years. Council actually approved the SWR Boards recommendation in 2010.
- Ms Corley and Mr. Duryea noted the importance of public education program to gain approval.
 - The idea of public presentations at HOA, Rotary and other public meetings was suggested.
 - Mr. Uehling motioned and the board approved to get Council on board for a full blown public education program to move the Transfer station concept forward.

B. Usage of Beaufort County convenience centers by non county residents-no update

C. 3-2-1 Initiative to simplify waste disposal at Convenience Centers

- Fully implemented at all centers and showing less tonnage.
- This has also resolved the theft issues at the metal pile in Simmonsville; it has been closed and replaced by a container for metal which is hauled to Shanklin.

D. Renegotiations of Disposal Contract with Waste Management for Hickory Hill Landfill

- No response from Waste Management

E. Curbside Waste and Recycling Collection

- Mr. Minor showed a chart of what people were paying for curbside collection across the County. \$20 p/month is an average cost and if all costs were combined, the total cost to the County would be about the same as is presently expended to collect waste in the County.

F. Board Requests

- **Lowes White Goods Disposal** – Lowes of Bluffton ships their recycling out of county. Lowes of Beaufort brings their recycling to the Shanklin Center.
- **Emergency Procedures for closure of Convenience center** – Mr. Minor discussed the situation that arose at Simmonsville when 22 containers were on the wall when contractor had truck issues. A discussion was held of various scenarios that could cause an emergency shutdown. Mr. Duryea suggested that we have some sort of procedure to close down in this sort of problem. He also pointed out that a transfer station would eliminate this potential problem.

G. Ewaste and Shredding Event

- The Board discussed some of the issues and complaints with the January event. Mr. Duryea volunteered at the event and noted that many commercial vehicles came in and held up the line. Various issues and ideas were discussed for a more streamlined event.

6. New Business-None

7. Public Comment - There was no public comment.

8. Adjournment - The Meeting ended at 3:45pm.

- The next regular board meeting will be held May 22, 2014, 2:00 pm in BIV 3 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