

# Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting Thursday, January 28, 2016 2:00 pm Executive Conference Room

#### Attendees:

Dan Duryea, Chairman, District 9 Representative Kim Corley, District 8 Representative David R. Uehling, VChair, District 6 Representative Lamar Taylor, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio) Ron Olson, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio) Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison Gary Dukes, MCAS Liaison James Minor, Solid Waste Manager Cindy Carter, Solid Waste and Recycling

#### Absentees:

Ben Wheatley, District 7 Representative
LaShonda Scott, District 5 Representative
Vacant, District 3 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Vacant, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Eric Larson, Division Director Environmental Eng.
Dave Wilhelm, Public Works Director
John Miller, Solid Waste and Recycling

#### **Guests Attending:**

Cynthia Bensch, County Council, District 7

- 1. Call to Order: Chairman Duryea, called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm
  - A. Agenda: Chairman Duryea requested a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Uehling motioned, Ms. Corley seconded, all approved the agenda
  - **B.** Minutes: Chariman Duryea requested a motion to approve the December 3, 2015 minutes. Dr. Uehling motioned. Ms. Corley seconded
- 2. Introductions: All present were introduced. Chairman Duryea recognized Cynthia Bensch, Beaufort County Council
- 3. Public Comment: There was no public comment

### 4. Reports:

### A. SW & R Monthly Report - October 2015:

- o Mr. Minor announced to the Board that Kathryn Madden, Recycling Coordinator, has left her position. There will be a posting on the County website in the near future
- o Mr. Minor consolidated reports in the Board member's packets. October data will not be presented as it is included in the November report to be discussed

#### B. SW & R Monthly Report – November 2015:

- Mr. Minor referenced the data provided. Overall tonnage in Class 3 (Convenience Center and Residential) and Class 2 (Convenience Center) waste has increased - big difference between calendar months November of 2014/2015
- o By District, Hilton Head and Bluffton produce largest amount waste generated
- o Comparitive Hauling costs continue to increase (7.68%)
- o Traffic data was presented (color coded) by Convenience Center traffic volume

- o Shanklin Conveninece Center is under-utilized as a modern design facility
- o Older centers continue to have issues with water. Rock was added to the yard at Pritchardville
- o Chairman Duryea requested a % difference column for traffic at Centers
- o Recycling data for Hilton Head remains incomplete for residential pickup. Centers vs Curbside was recently 50/50 and is now 80/20. With rising costs to haulers for recycling at MRF (\$65/ton), there is a possibility that haulers are opting for landfill disposal
- o Fortune link WM earning decline. Single stream/dual stream discussion. Hopefully this is a temporary cycle and commodity prices will change. Market is depressed
- o Revenue is down. Reference new RFP for scrap metal (Charleston Steel)

# C. Recycling Events and Convenience Center Updates

- o Electronics Event well attended...40 tons collected in 6 hours
- o Shred Event 1/16/16 in Bluffton two trucks filled by 2 pm
- o Working with contractors to secure FY17 dates
- o Best Buy will take televisions under 30"
- o March 5, 2016 will be the Household Hazardous Waste and Rx collection event. The Sheriff's office will take Rx year-round if you call non-emergency number

## D. Recycling Coordinator's Report

o No report per vacant position

#### 5. Unfinished Business:

### A. Use of Convenience Centers by non county residents.

- o 2/1/16 meeting with County Administrator per license plate recognition system
- o Bluffton Convenience Center possible pilot site

### B. Curbside Waste and Recycling Collection

- o Consultant working on information as a response for Executive Committee request
- o Decision Tree diagram/flow chart discussed
- o Collection efficiency discussed
- o As population increases the Convenience Center concept cannot keep up
- o Every urban community uses a Curbside system
- o Convenience Centers were developed for a rural community only
- o Rumors of Convenience Center closing in 2020 nothing has been determined
- o Hauling costs increases, MS4 requirements and storm possibilities all concerns

#### C. Strategic Plan

- o Curbside presentation to Low County Rotary
- o Goal is to continue to solicit opportunities to increase understanding in the community
- o Video Integrated Solid Waste Management (1994)
- o Beaufort was rural but that has changed considerable in last 20 years

#### **D. Board Requests**

o None at this time

#### 6. New Business:

#### A. Board Vacancies

o Town of Hilton Head may utilize an Experience Green member

# **B.** Press Releases

- o Copies provided to Attendees
- o Dr. Uehling inquired per response opinion to recent articles from the public
- o Meeting with current hauler indicates Wednesday closure of Centers is required for pulling containers from weekend backlog
- 7. Public Comment: There was no Public Comment
- 8. Adjournment The meeting ended at 3:05 pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held March 24, 2016, in the Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 2:00 pm