

Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting Thursday, May 23, 2019 2:00 pm Executive Conference Room

Attendees:

David R. Uehling, VChair, District 6 Representative Randy Boehme, District 9 Representative Kim Corley, District 8 Representative Lawrence Bryan, District 5 Representative Derrick Coaxum, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio) Mike Bennett, District 3 Representative (Ex-Officio) Neil Desai, District 1 Representative (Ex-Officio) Chris Vaigneur, MCAS Liaison Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison Dave Wilhelm, Public Works Director Cindy Carter, Solid Waste and Recycling Caroline Jordan Dolbey, Solid Waste and Recycling

Absentees:

Sally Dennis, District 7 Representative Jennifer Sharp, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio) Reahnita Tuten, SC DHEC Liaison Ashley Jenkins, Solid Waste and Recycling Artrell Horne, Litter Control

Guests Attending: Councilman York Glover

- 1. Call to Order: Vice-Chairman Uehling called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.
 - **A. Agenda**: Vice-Chairman Uehling requested a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Corley motioned. Mr. Bennett seconded. All approved the agenda.
 - **B.** Minutes: Vice-Chairman Uehling requested a motion to approve the January 24, 2019, February 22, 2019 and March 28, 2019 minutes. Ms. Corley motioned. Mr. Bennett seconded. All approved the minutes.
- 2. Introductions: All attendees introduced themselves.
- 3. Public Comment: There was no public comment.

4. Reports from Board regarding meetings with Council Members:

o Mr. Bennett advised that Hilton Head is currently updating their Comprehensive Plan.

5. Reports:

A. SW&R Monthly Reports – March and April 2019:

- Ms. Carter reported an increase in waste tonnage of 2,857.74 tons compared to this time period last year. YTD total = 67,721 tons
- Average increases in hauling costs = 4.48%; disposal average increase = 7.91%
- Hauling and disposal expenditures are at 86% with two months remaining in the FY
- Convenience Center traffic increased 32,046 vehicles over FY18 data
- YTD recycling is 4,966.33 tons [7% of total waste generated; 10% of MSW waste]
- o Revenue trends remain constant. We have initiated baling St. Helena OCC at PW
- MRF costs total \$175,287.70 instead of revenue for recyclables

B. Recycling Coordinator:

o Ms. Jenkins is attending the SC Recycling Industry Forum in Columbia. Ms. Carter

presented information:

- o Beaufort Shred event 391 vehicles
- May 18th Electronics (both locations) 875 vehicles (down 138 from February)
- Next Shred (Bluffton) 06/08/19; note change in website: <u>www.beaufortcountysc.gov</u>
- o New 2019 Chevy Bolt added to fleet. Electric. Animation wrap pending
- o Billboard campaign currently ongoing for Recycle 101 and Recycle Guys
- o #BringItBeaufort mailers and rack cards
- o "Mr. Joe (Joseph Murray) featured in PINK magazine #BringItBeaufort
- o Tentative summer camp educational schedule

C. Volunteer Coordinator:

- o Adopt-A-Highway Annual Awards Ceremony 5/7/19 at Statehouse
- May proclaimed AAH month
- o Beaufort County winner: Fripp Point Road Community

D. Litter Control:

- Mr. Horne was unable to attend. Mr. Wilhelm presented information:
- Regional Clean-Up 4/22/19 included Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper
- o County staff, AAH, SC DOT, municipalities and sponsors contributed
- o 47,500 pounds of litter removed
- o 50th anniversary of Earth day in 2020...Statewide event being planned

6. Unfinished Business:

A. Election of Chairman:

 One nomination received (Randy Boehme). Mr. Boehme made a brief statement. Vice-Chairman called for a vote. Unanimous vote for Randy Boehme to be Chairman of SW&R Board. Vice-Chairman Uehling wished Boehme well and added he was working with a great community and with great staff. Boehme led the remainder of the meeting

7. New Business:

A. Future Plans:

- Chairman Boehme deferred to Mr. Wilhelm for an update. Wilhelm indicated that staff are working diligently on partnership possibilities. He is very enthusiastic/positive about ideas and creative options for the future
- o Disposal contract expires 2025. Recycling contact expires 2021
- Recent e-mail from Waste Management noted processing (currently at \$55 per ton) may increase to \$150/\$200 per ton. Meeting with legal staff tomorrow

B. Board Requests:

- Chairman Boehme stated he would like to get to know Board members. He will be contacting all individually
- Mr. Bennett requested a focus group to have input on developing plans. Mr. Wilhelm agreed and asked for postponement (weeks) as direction clear/options narrowed
- 8. Public Comment: There was no public comment.
- **9.** Adjournment: The meeting ended at 2:30 pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held July 25, 2019, in the Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 2:00 pm.