



Beaufort County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Meeting **Thursday, January 23, 2020 2:00 pm** **Executive Conference Room**

Attendees:

David R. Uehling, VChair, District 6 Representative
Kim Corley, District 8 Representative
Lawrence Bryan, District 5 Representative
Sally Dennis, District 7 Representative
Mike Bennett, District 3 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Derrick Coaxum, District 4 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Chris Vaigneur, MCAS Liaison
Brad Woods, MCRD Liaison
Dave Wilhelm, Asst. Co. Administrator, PW & Sustainability
Cindy Carter, Solid Waste and Recycling
Ashley Jenkins, Solid Waste and Recycling
Caroline Jordan Dolbey, Solid Waste and Recycling
Artrell Horne, Litter Control

Absentees:

Randy Boehme, Chairman District 9 Representative
Vacant, District 1 (Ex-Officio)
Jennifer Sharp, District 2 Representative (Ex-Officio)
Reahnta Tuten, SC DHEC Liaison

Guests Attending:

York Glover, County Council
William Graner, resident

- 1. Call to Order:** Vice Chairman Uehling called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.
 - A. Approval of Agenda:** Vice Chairman Uehling requested a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Bennett motioned. Ms. Dennis seconded. All approved the agenda.
 - B. Approval of Minutes:** Vice Chairman Uehling requested a motion to approve the December 5, 2019, minutes. Ms. Corley motioned. Mr. Coaxum 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:**
 - Mr. Bennett reported that he met with Town of Hilton Head concerning the Convenience Center and the Goldsmith report. This is Town land with services by the County. The Town supports education for any changes. A single hauler concept is not currently on docket. Original agreement document will be researched.
- 5. Reports:**
 - A. SW&R Monthly Reports – November 2019:**
 - Abbreviated report; data delayed for December per new Waste Management system
 - YTD tonnage = 33,949.66 (less that this same period in FY19)
 - Hauling 11.91% higher than last year at this time; disposal increase 2.81%
 - Carter updated budget expenditures - 38% hauling and 42% disposal of budget
 - Convenience Center traffic increased 8,819 compared to November 2019
 - Residential recycling YTD = 1,738.15 tons (Convenience Center collection only)
 - Revenue is significantly less that this time last year. Metal prices impacted
 - Recycling overage at -\$79,667.05 last year; currently -\$104,369.10

- Open discussion per recycling market. Mr. Bennett commented that backlog is clearing out, domestic refining is being established to improve selling to domestic markets over exporting to China.

B. Recycling Coordinator:

- Ms. Jenkins reported on recycling events. Electronics on 12/7/2019 had 875 vehicles and collected 48.89 tons.
- Shred (Bluffton) on 1/11/20 = 658 vehicles and collected 18 tons
- Next event will be Electronics on 2/8/20 – both locations.

C. Volunteer Coordinator:

- Ms. Dolbey advised that Beaufort County's 2020 Palmetto Pride Grant Awards have been announced: Keep SC Beautiful (\$9,000) and Litter Prevention (\$7,500)
- 2019 Adopt-A-Highway results: 6,000 bags (90,000 pounds) of litter removed.

D. Litter Control:

- Mr. Horne reported 2019 Litter Data to include AAH, Day Watch, Events and Litter Team: 319,233 pounds removed from County roadways
- Mr. Horne issued 1 ticket/5 warnings under the new Enforcement Officer program.

6. Unfinished Business:

A. Contract Amendments:

- Ms. Carter updated that a meeting with Waste Management (processing recyclables) is scheduled for the upcoming week.

B. Abby Goldsmith – November 2019 Final Report: Contract Amendments: Ms. Carter reviewed the report discussed at the last SW&R Board meeting of 12/5/19 and discussed the action items that were presented to Public Facilities on 1/21/20. The presentation is available for viewing on the County website

- Implement a decal system (limits contractor and Out-of-County misuse); this item will be phased in initially
- Limit types of waste accepted (C&D and yard waste proposed)
- Consolidate select centers
- Reduce operating hours
- Increase enforcement efforts (second officer proposed for FY21 budget)
- Increase recycling efforts (staff for contamination control)
- Improve site conditions (remaining sites – capital improvements)
- Revisit Hilton Head Center (two meetings completed)

Open discussion for pay-as-you-throw; cost of decal/ID card; timeframe for implementation; camera surveillance and the need for early education.

C. Weston and Sampson: Mr. Wilhelm updated on the consultant's Regional study. Initial report anticipated March 2020. Mr. Bennett inquired about the Hickory Hill contract requirement for future options (expansion vs. transfer station).

D. Glass Operation – Public Works South: Ms. Carter shared photos of the equipment that is currently operational. Pilot crushing has been completed (glass from Bluffton Center).

7. New Business:

A. Update from Public Facilities Meeting 1/21/2020: Items covered during discussions above. Councilman Glover commented Council was pleased with the report; waiting to hear more.

B. Board Requests: There were no Board requests.

8. Public Comment: There was no public comment.

9. Adjournment: – The meeting ended at 2:44 pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held March 26, 2020, in the Executive Conference Room, Administration Building, 2:00 pm.