



# Beaufort County Keep Beaufort County Beautiful Board Meeting July 12, 2018, 3:00pm Port Royal Maritime Center, Okatie, SC

#### Attendees:

Michael Murphy, Chairman, Council District 2
Pamela Floyd, Council District 3
Kathleen Bray, Council District 4
Carol Murphy, VChair, Council District 5
Joan Gualdoni, Secretary, Council District 6
Randy Boehme, Council District 9
Diane Voge, Council District 10
Jean Fruh, Council District 11

## **Absentees:**

Deb Hadley, Council District 7

#### **Guests:**

Councilman Alice Howard Yvonne Plemmons

### **Support Staff:**

Dave Wilhelm, Public Works Director Cindy Carter, Solid Waste Coordinator Ashley Jenkins, Recycling Coordinator Caroline Dolbey, Volunteer Coordinator Artrell Horne, Litter Control Supervisor

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Murphy called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm
  - **a. Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Murphy requested a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Floyd motioned; Ms. Bray seconded. All approved
  - **b. Approval of Minutes (5/10/2018):** Chairman Murphy requested a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Floyd motioned; Ms. Voge seconded. All approved
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS: The Board welcomed Councilman Alice Howard to the meeting
- **3. PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment
- 4. **REPORTS FROM BOARD REGARDING MEETINGS WITH COUNTY COUNCIL:** Ms. Voge updated on her District representation confusion (D8 vs D10) and Chairman Murphy noted a prior contact per Board vacancies. Chairman Howard advised that Clerk to Council position has had an interim. Ms. Carter reminded all should keep their Councilman advised of important issues that are discussed during meetings. "No surprise" theory. Chairman Murphy commented that he has met with SCDOT (Elizabeth Penn Sanders) concerning future beautification projects (example: median Highway 17)
- 5. **UNFINIFSHED BUSINESS:** 
  - **a.** Litter Index Reports: Ms. Dolbey stated the Litter Index has been completed and submitted to KAB. City of Beaufort had best report. Overall improvement in all areas: 2 to 1.5
- 6. NEW BUSINESS:
  - a. China Sword Update: Ms. Carter gave an update on China National Sword Policy. The Board was not aware of export issues. Council will have to decide on level of recycling. Continue to have quality scrap in the County. We need consistent message County-wide. No "wish cycling"
  - **b.** Lowe's Grant REPORTS FROM BOARD REGARDING MEETINGS WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS: Ms. Carter reported that award was slated for 5/29/18 but had been delayed. Results pending
  - c. Film Collection at Convenience Centers: Ms. Jenkins updated on SCDHEC FY18 Solid Waste

- Grant (\$50,000). Sheds, film collection containers and new signage is complete. June collection estimate = 20,250 bags. Councilman Howard commented that she would like to share estimate method with Council per tracking bag ban impact. Ms. Fruh mentioned two tracking APPS (SC Aquarium and NOAA)
- **d. Upcoming Palmetto Pride Grants (October); UPS Tree Grant:** Ms. Dolbey reminded the Board members to brainstorm new ideas for 2019 grants; share during September meeting. Ms. Carter reported that a UPS Tree Grant application was submitted 7/3/18 for Southside Park (needs provided by Chairman Murphy)
- e. FY19 SCDHEC Grants to Beaufort County: Ms. Carter advised of recent awards to Beaufort County \$61,450 (Waste Oil); \$4,750 (Waste Tires); \$50,000 (Solid Waste). Ms. Jenkins mentioned the Solid Waste was for completion of the compost pilot and providing a simple recycling message (Recycle Right). Thanks to Chairman Murphy and Ms. Voge for their on-site assistance with education at the Convenience Centers. One citizen provided Spanish translation
- f. Secure the Load to Haulers; Palmetto Pride Supplies: Ms. Carter advised that all current haulers were contacted with "Secure the Load" information and contact numbers for Artrell Horne. Tarps (with decals) were distributed to Board. Please volunteer for decal application
- g. Litter Control Team: Mr. Horne discussed the Litter Summary prepared by Ms. Dolby (January June 2018). Litter crews have removed an extremely large amount of roadside bulky items. [Mr. Wilhelm briefly discussed SCDOT mowing schedules and the upcoming DOT contract bid to include litter removal prior to mowing]. Mr. Horne encouraged use of the BC Connect APP. The 2<sup>nd</sup> County Clean-up Day is planned for Nov. 1 with several retail partners, including Walmart. July 13-22 the County will have their wrapped boat at the Beaufort Water Festival. Foam koozies will be used as promotional items at the festival (sample distributed to Board). Mr. Wilhelm noted that enforcement remains a concern and Mr. Horne may assume certification similar to Codes Enforcement/Animal Control to assist current ECU staff
- **h. Establish Sub-Committees:** Chairman Murphy plans to e-mail several committee ideas to members following the meeting. Liaison concept
- **7. PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment. Ms. Gualdoni expressed concern over speeding during Adopt-A-Highway clean-ups with tourist traffic. Mr. Boehme recommended contact with Sheriff Tanner as he has had success with Town of Bluffton police

# 8. ADJOURNMENT:

a. In closing, Chairman Murphy displayed the Palmetto Pride award for KBCB. Ms. Bray promoted a paper straw container example. Ms. Fruh reminded all that the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Keep the Broad Clean event will be August 16, 2018. Friends of Hunting Island Beach Sweep is September 15, 2018. The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm. The next meeting is September 13, 2018, at the Port Royal Maritime Center, 130 Okatie Highway, Okatie, SC 29909 3:00 pm