



Beaufort County Keep Beaufort County Beautiful Board Meeting
May 9, 2019, 3:00pm
Port Royal Maritime Center, Okatie, SC

Attendees:

Christopher Campbell, District 1
Michael Murphy, Chairman, Council District 2
Kathleen Bray, Council District 4
Carol Murphy, VChair, Council District 5
Joan Gualdoni, Sec., Council District 6
Diane Voge, Council District 10
Jean Fruh, Council District 11

Absentees:

Pamela Floyd, Council District 3

Guests:

Councilman Chris Hervochon
Randy Boehme (SW&R Board)
Sally Murphy (Gardens Corner)

Support Staff:

Dave Wilhelm, Public Works Director
Cindy Carter, Solid Waste Coordinator
Caroline Dolbey, Volunteer Coordinator
Artrell Horne, Litter Control Supervisor
Nancy Moss, Comm. Dev./Planning

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. Murphy motioned; Mr. Campbell seconded. All approved
 - b. **Approval of Minutes (01/10/2019):** Chairman Murphy requested a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Voge motioned; Ms. Fruh seconded. All approved
2. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Chairman Murphy welcomed guests in attendance
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment
4. **REPORTS FROM BOARD REGARDING MEETINGS WITH COUNTY COUNCIL:** Mr. Campbell had contact with Paul Sommerville per the Regional (Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper) Clean-Up event. Vice-Chairman Sommerville participated in Hampton County. Mr. Campbell expressed pride in the event and outcome. Ms. Gualdoni had contact with Councilman Passiment concerning Highway 170. There is a survey being circulated to identify problem issues.
5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Updates from Sub-Committees:** Ms. Voge updated on the upcoming OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) at USC Beaufort. Presentations to include oyster shell program, litter control and composting. Open discussion on current condition of MRF in Ridgeland. The OLLI would first be offered in Beaufort. Bluffton and Hilton Head campus at a later date.
 - b. **Friends of Gardens Corner:** Nancy Moss presented a median landscape plan for the area to include the North and South median and the circle itself. Standing water at Bull Point. One mile to maintain upon completion. Iris, evergreens, holly and dwarf crepe myrtles proposed. Mulch in areas that cannot be mowed. \$150,000 estimated to include plants and three years of

maintenance at \$30,000 each year. Funds from Tree Mitigation Fund per solar project. SCDOT is very restrictive on planting selections. No new lawn proposed. Drawings provided.

- c. **Regional County Clean-Up Report – April 22, 2019:** Artrell Horne reported a successful Regional Clean-Up event. County Council will be given full report next week. 275 workers, 23,340 pounds of litter removed (2,375 bags). Mr. Wilhelm stated that next year will be the 50th anniversary of Earth Day and a statewide event is being planned for April 22, 2020. Mr. Boehme thanked Mr. Wilhelm for the positive improvement to the County and his support of litter control. Mr. Campbell especially thanked/recognized the AAH groups ‘litter road people’

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Adopt-A-Highway Annual Awards Ceremony:** Caroline Dolbey reported there are 106 active AAH groups currently in Beaufort County. May was recognized as AAH month in the Statehouse. Fripp Point Road Community was Beaufort’s Group of the Year winner
- b. **Partner/Group Updates:** Chairman Murphy wants to add this topic to every meeting in an effort to open dialog with individuals and groups for meeting attendance. All Board members are encouraged to invite interested parties
- c. **Litter Index:** Ms. Dolbey provided the routes and instructions for the 2019 Litter Index. Due by June 5th. Two roads (Argent/Snake) in Jasper County will remain on inventory for historical information (landfill access)

- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Sally Murphy inquired ‘what happens next’ for Gardens Corner. Ms. Moss asked the Board to review plans. If approved, she will apply for an encroachment permit from SCDOT and bid for contractors. Chairman Murphy requested a vote of support for the Friends of Gardens Corner project. Board members unanimously supported by a show of hands

- 8. BOARD REQUESTS:** Chairman Murphy advised of Camp Conroy June 17-28. Wants to make sure recycling message will be consistent with County policy. Ms. Voge requested a review of the Board’s objectives, mission and budget moving forward. Voge proposed a special meeting or retreat to discuss. Please bring dates and ideas to next Board meeting and tentatively an August retreat could be scheduled.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. The meeting adjourned at 3:48 pm. The next meeting is July 11, 2019, at the Port Royal Maritime Center, 130 Okatie Highway, Okatie, SC 29909 3:00 pm