



Beaufort County Keep Beaufort County Beautiful Board Meeting February 13, 2020, 2:00pm Port Royal Maritime Center, Okatie, SC

Attendees:

Christopher Campbell, District 1
Michael Murphy, Chairman, Council District 2
Pamela Floyd, Council District 3
Kathleen Bray, Council District 4
Carol Murphy, VChair, Council District 5
Randy Boehme, Council District 9
Diane Voge, Council District 10
Jean Fruh, Council District 11

Absentees:

Joan Gualdoni, Sec., Council District 6 Joanie Iaco, Council District 7 Eileen Hutton, Council District 8

Guests:

Louanne Howard, resident Kamal Wigfall, Gullah Geechee IF

Support Staff:

Cindy Carter, Solid Waste Coordinator Tanner Powell, Special Projects Eng. 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 2:02 pm
 - **a. Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Murphy requested to have Item 6.f. presentation after Item 3. Mr. Campbell motioned to approve. Ms. Fruh seconded. All approved
 - **b.** Approval of Minutes (11/14/2019): Chairman Murphy requested a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Voge motioned; Ms. Bray seconded. All approved
- **2. INTRODUCTIONS:** All attendees introduced themselves. Ms. Carter presented Chairman Murphy with a Certificate of Appreciation for his time spent as Chairman of the KBCB Board
- **3. REPORTS FROM BOARD REGARDING MEETINGS WITH COUNTY COUNCIL:** Chairman Murphy has discussed upcoming vacancies on Board with Councilman Sommerville. Councilman Sommerville was present with the KBCB group that toured Sea Pines Resort. Chris Campbell has ongoing projects with Councilman Dawson. Note: Town Meeting in District 1 tonight at 7 pm (Booker T. Washington Center)
- **4. GULLAH GEECHEE INITIATIVE FOUNDATION, INC. (GGIF):** Kamal Wigfall made a presentation to the Board concerning his non-profit organization and the desire to beautify the park located behind Parker's at the intersection of Sea Island Parkway and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. He has partnered with various sponsors for donations of goods and services. Events are planned for 2020 Great American Clean Up and Arbor Day. Mr. Wigfall requested support from the KBCB Board and all agreed
- 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - a. Updates from Sub-Committees: No updates reported
- **b.** Beautification Project Updates: Friends of Gardens Corner Pre-bid meeting was held and bids closed 2/12/20. Internal review selection will go to Natural Resources Committee and bid can be awarded. No timetable confirmed. **Dale** Landscape designer will have basic design for two areas. Board members can review and present at meetings to save costs. **Veronica Miller Memorial** Garden

was planted with the help of Clemson Extension (Laura Lee Rose) and Master Gardeners. Water feature fixed and irrigation is operable. Vice-Chair Murphy will need to get plaque approved by Park Staff. Dedication pending. **McGarvey's Corner** – no report. **Sams Point Road** – Currently under SC DOT review. Four islands pending approval. **MLK Park** – will be added to list per today's presentation

- **c. Veronica Miller Award (nomination requirements):** Will be moved to future meeting. Reminder of committee members (Gualdoni, Bray an C. Murphy)
- **d. Plastics Update:** Will defer to Chris Campbell discussion on KAB Conference. Ms. Carter shared the 8 recommendations in the Abby Goldsmith report per Convenience Centers that will be covered during Town Meetings
- **e. WalMart Community Grant Application:** No movement. Might reconsider efforts and find alternate source for potential projects. Noted that Gullah Geechee Initiative Foundation received one of the WalMart grants

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. South Carolina Professionals Conference; Waste Con 2019: Ashley Jenkins updated Board on recent meetings. SC is replacing RecycleMore campaign with Recycle Right (new logo). Bilingual signage is recommended. Waste Con 2019 was in Phoenix, AZ and Zero Waste was featured. Ms. Jenkins advised the Board of current/pending legislation 'Ban the Ban' that could overturn the current County plastic bag ban. Adams Advertising continues to run 'Recycle This; Not This' billboards
- **b.** Heritage Farm Project: Tanner Powell presented information of a proposed sustainable farm (Washington Farm Road) idea that was initiated by the Beaufort County Senior Leadership Group. Design work is pending. KBCB Board supports the concept and will attend Committee/Council meetings. Mr. Powell will relay the Board partnership for the project
- c. Sea Pines Tour 1/8/2020: The practices are impressive at Sea Pines Resort. They were able to have a vendor eliminate Styrofoam from shipments. Crushed glass is used for pothole repair
- **d. Upcoming Board Election:** The KBCB Board was initiated as a Council approved Board in May of 2018. Upcoming elections will be held for this reason and per the resignation of Michael Murphy from the Board. Please submit a bio to Ms. Carter if you have interest
- e. 2020 Palmetto Pride Grant Awards (KSCB; Litter Prevention): Ms. Carter reported that Palmetto Pride Grants have been awarded. Keep South Carolina Beautiful Grant awarded \$9,000 and Litter Prevention \$7,500. KSCB will continue to support AAH supplies. Four kayak clean-ups were included as well as a stipend for new affiliate logo design. Please forward ideas. Litter Prevention grant money will be used for a trailer and a collection container at Station Creek Landing
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was not Public Comment
- **8. BOARD REQUESTS:** Chris Campbell attended the Keep America Beautiful Conference in Memphis, TN this week. He met Chantal Fryer with the SC Department of Commerce. Although Mr. Campbell only attended one day of the four offered, he described initiatives and information as "incredible". The glass recycling operation in Beaufort County is pending. Mr. Boehme requested a copy of notes presented. Vice-Chair Murphy thanked Chairman Murphy and Ms. Bray for their service to the KBCB Board. Chairman Murphy reflected on comments by Deputy Administrator Inglese: like-minded do-gooders
- **9. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm. The next scheduled meeting is April 9, 2020, at the Port Royal Maritime Center, 130 Okatie Highway, Okatie, SC 29909 at 2:00 pm. Vice-Chairman Murphy will advise if an additional meeting will be called for March 2020.