

Beaufort County Stormwater Management Utility Board (SWMU Board)
Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. in Beaufort County Council Chambers
Final July 11, 2012

Board Members

Present

Don Smith
Donald Cammerata
James Fargher
William Bruggeman
John Youmans

Absent

Lady's Island Vacant
Allyn Schneider

Ex-Officio Members

Present

Andy Kinghorn
Scott Liggett
Ron Bullman

Absent

Tony Maglione

Beaufort County Staff

Dan Ahern
Robert Klink
Lori Sexton
Eddie Bellamy
Carolyn Wallace
Rob McFee
Danny Polk

Visitors

Reed Armstrong, Coastal Conservation League
Paul Moore, Ward Edwards
Laura Lee Rose, Clemson Extension

County Council

1. Meeting called to order – Don Smith

- A. Agenda approved
- B. May 2, 2012 Minutes were approved as posted

2. Introductions –

3. Public Comment – none

4. Reports –

A. Stormwater (SW)/Form based code – Subcommittee Report

- No actions since last meeting

B. Monitoring Annual Report – Bob Klink

- Meeting held May 22, 2012
 - o USCB will be running bacteria lab work for GEL
 - o Running test on varying composite testing times to see if any difference between grab and composites
 - o Discussed a number of items including water budget, and potential FC TMDL in Fish Haul Creek
- Next Meeting is July 31, 2012 at 1:30 at PW Conference Room

C. Upcoming Professional Contracts Report – Carolyn Wallace

Only one new addition – This is a small contract to assist the Utility on designing and assessing large ditch retrofit. We plan to try a pilot retrofit in an existing ditch and want to see if it is something we need to be doing more often. It will be near the Public Works complex. Don Smith asked if the purpose of the retrofit was to reduce flow. It is hoped that this type project will reduce flow rate and volume.

D. Utility Updates – Carolyn Wallace

Financial Updates: This month’s reports were attached to the agenda. Alan Eisenman will be back in a couple months to give the preliminary end of year figures.

National Association of Counties Achievement Award: We were informed that Beaufort County was awarded a 20120 NACo Achievement Award for our Stormwater Runoff Volume Control program. This follows last year’s award for the County Channel. The notification letter was included with your agenda.

Webcasts: Our next web cast will be Noon Wednesday June 20, 2012. This one will be on stream restoration. Will try to have at BIV #2.

E. Maintenance Project Reports – Eddie Bellamy

Mr. Bellamy reported on five major projects (1) Town of Hilton Head Island Bush Hogging; (2) Archie Sumpter Road; (3) Okatie River Estates; (4) Carolina Estates and (5) Big Estate Road Outfall. Additionally, reported 19 minor and/or routine maintenance projects which were reported in the shortened format.

5. Unfinished Business –

A. Regional Coordination – Dan Ahern

Nothing to report – the May SWIC meeting was cancelled.

Don Smith asked if any of the Air Station work comes to County for review. Rob McFee said that we asked the Air Station and they received word from Navy Facilities that they comply with federal standards that are same as county standards.

B. IGA Update – Rob McFee

The Town of Port Royal IGA is being presented to Natural Resources Committee. We are working with City of Beaufort to develop an approvable IGA to bring forward for approval.

Andy Kinghorn said the draft to the IGA is to be presented to City Council next Tuesday.

C. Water Budget Study Update –Bob Klink and Danny Polk

Bob Klink and Danny Polk presented a power point on the background of the study and the details of the final step up of the study. The two year hydraulic study is now underway. The board had some questions on the construction of weirs. There were questions on what is purpose. It was to test our assumptions on flow from rainfall and whether irrigation is a factor in runoff. Also the final data can be used to design the retrofit that is planned in the Sun City watershed of the Okatie River.

6. New Business –

A. 10 Year Report – Carolyn Wallace

The consultants (*auditors*) from Holland, Henry, and Bromley out of Savannah Ga. were scheduled to present the 10 year report on this afternoon. The report is being reviewed by the county administrator and we are close to the final report. Once the final report is issued we hope to get hard copies to all of the board members for your review and comments. If we can mail by the end of the week then we would like to request the board members to respond with any questions or comments by Friday, June 22nd. After your review, the staff would be glad to answer any questions or provide additional information if we can. If there are questions for the consultant's (*auditor's*) report or if the board feels they would still like a presentation from the consultants we will be glad to arrange their appearance at the next board meeting.

B. SESWA LID Case Studies – Dan Ahern

Power point presented with the permission of the original presenters' from this April 2012 conference. Some of the case studies were further presented in a publication published in the Florida Watershed Journal. Two of the cases were in Florida (Sarasota County and Melbourne Beach) where volume reduction met the pollutant loading reduction. There was another retrofit project in Gwinnett County GA where the county government is retrofitting the county administrative center to meet the 95th percentile storm.

7. Public Comment – Reed Armstrong recommended that at a future meeting what all the devices in the Water Budget do. Don Smith sees that the 170 Highway design seems to have volume detention.

8. Next meeting agenda – Board decided to have a July meeting and changed date from July 4 to July 11. Also approved proposed agenda topics with addition of election of chairman and vice chairman.

9. Meeting adjourned.