

REPORT OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING

June 13, 2018

A meeting of the Finance & Administration Committee was held on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. at the Authority's Administrative Office in Conway, South Carolina. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, notices setting forth the date, time, and place of the meeting were mailed to the news media.

Present were Committee Chairman Lance Thompson and Committee Member Bo Ives. Also in attendance were Directors Jan Bitting and Esther Murphy and staff members Victoria Johnson, Nannette Powell and Susie Wofford. Board Member Michael Hughes and CCU Intern Briana Pellicci also attended the meeting. There were no members of the media in attendance.

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order. Mr. Ives rendered the invocation and Mr. Thompson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Ives moved to approve the Agenda as presented. There was a second by Mr. Thompson and the Motion was carried.

Recycling Grant

Mrs. Bitting reminded the Committee Members that during this year's budget process staff had eliminated the MSW incentive due to the fact it was not accomplishing what staff had hoped for in increasing the recyclables going into the MRF. She stated a portion of the those funds had been redirected into the C&D Recycling Facility by increasing that incentive from \$5/ton to \$10/ton beginning in Fiscal Year 2019. Mrs. Bitting advised that the remaining portion of the funds would be used in a grant program to assist Horry County in meeting recycling goals. Mrs. Bitting advised the MSW incentive was only given to a few haulers that brought recyclables and solid waste to the SWA. She commented more organizations are now eligible to receive assistance in their recycling efforts through the new Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant Program.

Mrs. Bitting advised that staff had created the grant application similar to the one that staff submits to DHEC. She stated she included all the information in the Board Packet so Committee Members could offer suggestions or have questions that staff members had not thought of. Mrs. Bitting stated staff's goal would be to present it at June's Board Meeting so it could go into effect July 1st.

Mr. Thompson inquired if staff was capping the total grant amount at \$150,000. Mrs. Bitting acknowledged that was correct. Mr. Thompson asked what standards an HOA would be held to in order to qualify for a grant. Mrs. Bitting advised staff had not set standards; organizations need to set recycling goals and present how they plan on achieving them.

Mr. Ives asked if there has been any outreach made to the potential applicants to get their input on how it could be used for their benefit. Mrs. Bitting advised that staff did not.

General discussion was held on time lines, reporting, person administering, etc. Mr. Ives stated this is a learning process for all involved.

Mr. Thompson stated any effort to promote recycling is appreciated. Mrs. Bitting advised that she would be reporting back to the Board Members of any reimbursements of funds.

Mr. Ives moved to recommend to the full Board staff's recommendation to proceed with the Solid Waste Reduction/Recycling Grant proposal. There was a second by Mr. Thompson and the Motion was carried.

Mr. Thompson inquired if staff had any reports from the MRF. Mrs. Bitting advised she did not bring them to this meeting; however, she stated that the average price of commodities was down in May and there was a loss for the month. Mrs. Bitting acknowledged prices have gone up significantly in June and the MRF would finish the year in the black.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 A.M.