

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
HORRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, INC.
July 30, 2013**

The Horry County Solid Waste Authority, Inc. held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July, 30, 2013, at 5:30 P.M., at the Authority's Administrative Office, 1886 Highway 90, 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 the following Board Members: Rev. James H. Cokley, Chairman; M. Lance Thompson, Vice Chairman; John R. Long, II, Board Treasurer; Dan P. Gray, Board Secretary; and Board Members J. Michael Campbell, Pam J. Creech, and W. Norfleet Jones.

Ex Officio Members Kevin Blayton and Steve Gosnell were in attendance. Highway 90 Liaison Michael Hughes represented the members of the public that attended the meeting. There were no members of the media in attendance.

The following individuals were also in attendance: Executive Director; Danny Knight, Mike Bessant, Assistant Executive Director; Esther Murphy, Director; Bill Hilling, Director; Donna Crump, Director; Mrs. Emma Ruth Brittain SWA Attorney and other staff to include Rodney Cannon, Jan Bitting, Wayne Martin, Cecil Terry, Chris Calhoun and Stephanie Todd.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Cokley called the meeting to order and rendered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Gray led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Cokley asked for any revisions to the Agenda as contained in the Agenda Packet; however, there were none.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Cokley asked for any questions on or amendments to the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 25, 2013, as contained in the Agenda Packet.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the Minutes of the June 25, 2013, Regular Meeting. There was a second by Mr. Campbell and the Motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman Cokley asked for any questions on or amendments to the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on June 25, 2013, as contained in the Agenda Packet.

Mr. Campbell moved to approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on June 25, 2013. There was a second by Mr. Thompson and the Motion was unanimously approved.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Chairman Cokley asked Mr. Danny Hardee to come forward and presented him with a Special Recognition Award. Rev. Cokley commented that Mr. Hardee had served as Board Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer from June 2005-June 2013 and had done an outstanding job during his tenure on the Board.

Chairman Cokley then asked Mr. Basem Hilal to come forward. Mr. Hilal was presented with a Special Recognition Award for his outstanding service. Mr. Cokley stated Mr. Hilal has served as Board Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer from June 2005-June 2013.

Chairman Cokley expressed his gratitude to both Mr. Hardee and Mr. Hilal for their dedication and support to the SWA and asked for their comments. Mr. Hardee thanked the staff for the dedication and hard work. Mr. Hilal also expressed his appreciation to the dedicated and hard working staff at the SWA.

PUBLIC INPUT

There were no requests to present Public Input.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Recycling and Corporate Affairs Update

Mrs. Murphy offered an update of various projects in the Recycling and Corporate Affairs Division that were included as Pages 1-8 in the Board Packet.

Scipio Lane Recycling Center Site Update – Mrs. Murphy stated in June site work began at the Scipio Lane center which included extending the site by approximately 100' feet for relocation of the fence, installation of the concrete pad and paving the site. She indicated the installation of bulk waste compactor had been completed. Mrs. Murphy stated with the installation of the bulk waste compactor staff anticipated a decrease in pulls from 15-16 roll-off pulls per week to 5 compactor pulls per week. She advised the Board to visit the center and view the improvements.

North Myrtle Beach Pilot Recycling Update – Mrs. Murphy stated the North Myrtle Beach Pilot Recycling Program had begun in July 2013. She stated that Board Members Jones and Campbell were instrumental in starting this pilot program. Mrs. Murphy indicated Mr. Cannon and Board Member Campbell had met with several businesses regarding this pilot program which is a joint program between the SWA and the City of North Myrtle Beach. Mrs. Murphy indicated the SWA had provided the businesses with 95-gallon toter roll-carts to be used outside and 23-gallon Rubbermaid Slim Jim containers to be used inside. She asked Mr. Kevin Blayton from the City of North Myrtle Beach offer comments about the collections of the pilot program. Mr. Blayton informed the group that because the program started late in the year, the city decided to extend the pilot to a 12-month period. He commented within this time frame the city would have an accurate amount of recyclable materials coming from the businesses. Ms. Creech asked what challenges had the pilot program faced. Mr. Blayton stated placement of the containers was an issue because each business had a limited amount of space. He commented the program started off well and one (1) business discontinued service because of can placement issues. Mr. Campbell commented that Mr. Cannon and staff had done an excellent job training the employees of the businesses about what materials to recycle and the program was going well.

SCDHEC Grants Update – Mrs. Murphy stated the SWA had received notification of the grants applied for from SCDHEC. She indicated the SWA received all grants requested except for one (1). Mrs. Murphy informed the group the grant not awarded to the SWA was Special Solid Waste Grant #2 and the grant had been awarded to the City of North Myrtle Beach. She stated the total amount of grant funding awarded to the SWA was \$110,552. Mr. Knight asked Mr. Blayton if the city have specific plans for the grant funding awarded to them. Mr. Blayton responded that the funding received by North Myrtle Beach would be used to purchase blue recycling containers for beach recycling.

Miscellaneous Update – Mrs. Murphy indicated in the miscellaneous section of the Board Packet was a thank-you letter from scholarship recipient Jeannie Wolfe. She also stated there was a thank you letter from convenience center customer Mr. Richard Bolton. Mrs. Murphy commented that Mr. Bolton was very impressed with the customer service at the SWA Highway 90 location in Little River.

Environmental Liaison Banquet Update – Mrs. Murphy reminded the Board of the upcoming Liaison Banquet on August 7, 2013 at 12:00 P.M. She stated she looked forward to seeing the Board Members at the luncheon.

Operations and Planning Update

Mr. Hilling reviewed his reports with the Board, which were included as Pages 9-22 in the Board Packet.

Highway 90 Appearance Update – Mr. Hilling advised the Board that the landfill employees had collected a total of 417 bags of litter along the 8-mile stretch of Highway 90. He stated that equated to 6,255 lbs of garbage year-to-date. Mr. Hilling indicated that staff was also mowing grass.

Safety Operations Update – Mr. Hilling informed the Board that the Operational Division had four reportable injuries. He stated two resulted in no lost work-time and one injury had one (1) restricted duty day. Mr. Hilling commented the fourth injury resulted in one lost work-day. He said safety is stressed in the monthly meetings and staff was working hard to improve their record for the upcoming year.

Carpet Recycling Update – Mr. Hilling stated operations goal was to recycle one (1) million pounds of carpet this previous year. He indicated 847,460 pounds of carpet and padding was recycled but was excited by the effort since this was the first year. Mr. Hilling stated he attended a conference sponsored by the Department of Commerce and SCDHEC and the SWA's carpet recycling program exceeded any in the state. He informed the Board that his goal was still to recycle one (1) million pounds this upcoming year.

C&D Recycling Improvements – Mr. Hilling gave a brief update about the C&D Recycling Facility. He stated June 2013 was the best month at the C&D processing facility since operations had begun. Mr. Hilling indicated that 1,222.48 tons were processed at the facility. He stated year-to-date the facility had processed over 11,083 tons and had a 62% recycling rate.

Driver of the Month Update – Mr. Hilling stated James Elrod from Trebor Industries was named Driver of the Month for June and was very professional.

Finance and Administration Update

Mrs. Crump presented the Finance & Administration reports to the Board, which was included as Pages 23-40 in the Board Packet.

Quarterly Restricted Funds Recommendations Update – Mrs. Crump indicated staff performed a review of the unrestricted cash for the fourth quarter ending June 30, 2013, to determine if transfers to the restricted accounts were possible, in accordance with the Unrestricted Fund Transfer Account Policy Statement.

Mrs. Crump indicated that the total unrestricted cash and cash equivalents as June 30, 2013, were \$3,407,639. She reminded the Board that the quarterly unrestricted cash threshold for FY2013 was \$3,001,494, which equates to 15% of the estimated annual revenues. Mrs. Crump indicated that for the quarter ending June 30, 2013, the unrestricted cash amount available for transfer was \$406,144. Mrs. Crump stated staff was recommending transferring the \$203,072 into the designated account for piggyback expansion and \$203,072 into the designated account for construction and development.

Mr. Jones moved to accept staff's recommendation to transfer \$406,144 from the Unrestricted Cash and Cash Equivalents for the fourth quarter of FY2013 with \$203,072 Designated to the Piggyback Expansion and \$203,072 Designated to the Construction and Development Fund. There was a second by Mr. Long and the Motion was carried.

Monthly Finance Reports – Mrs. Crump stated net income for June was \$53,505.70. She indicated year-to-date net income was \$636,971.62. Mr. Thompson asked about the processing fee on the income statement. Mrs. Crump replied the processing fee was for the collection of electronics from the municipalities and county. She stated in FY2013 electronics collection was only budgeted \$35,000. Mrs. Crump indicated The Store has \$7,969.77 in net income for the year. She stated operating expenses were at 97% of budget without the Unincorporated Collection System expenses. Mrs. Crump indicated during the month of June MSW had a 2% decrease over last year. She stated the mixed construction had an 8.5% increase over last year. Mrs. Crump informed the group overall tonnage was up 2%. Mrs. Crump indicated the C&D Recycling Facility, had processed 11.5% of all C&D material coming into the landfill for the year. She stated that 62% of all material taken to the facility had been recycled. Mrs. Crump indicated on the revenue reports the MRF ended the year at 95% of budget considering prices were down this year but tonnage was up due to the Sonoco contract. Ms. Creech asked about the misrepresented loads fee. Mrs. Crump stated this fee is charged when a truck comes in with mixed material in the load such as solid waste in mix construction. Ms. Creech asked about the prohibited load fee. Mrs. Crump indicated this fee was for out of county waste. Ms. Creech asked about the waste stream revenue. Mrs. Crump replied waste stream revenue was the tipping fees generated when material comes into the landfill. Ms. Creech asked if the SWA had many delinquent accounts. Mrs. Crump stated the credit policy of the SWA was very stringent and the finance department had a very aggressive approach in the collection of funds from customers.

Special Projects & Governmental Affairs Update

Mr. Bessant presented an update on various projects in which were included as Pages 41-56 of the Board Packet.

C&D Recycling Incentive Program Update – Mr. Bessant offered separate reports for Lee Disposal and EZ-Dump concerning the C&D Recycling Incentive Program, Mr. Bessant stated for June, the total tons of material received from Lee Disposal was 800.79 tons, of which, 697.51 tons was recycled. Mr. Bessant indicated the total incentive tons for June were 255.94 tons. He stated the reduction in tipping fees to the designated C&D hauler was \$1279.70 for June. Mr. Bessant indicated Lee Disposal's year-to-date tonnage for the program was 7,980.66. He commented that the total tons of concrete recycled for June were 3,530.69 tons. Mr. Bessant stated the year-to-date recycling tonnage was about 6,018.52 tons or 53%. He indicated the year-to-date recycling tonnage without concrete was 2,487.83 or 56%. Mr. Bessant stated the year-to-date recycling credits in tipping fees to Lee Disposal were \$9,874.30.

Mr. Bessant stated for FY2013, the total tons of material received from EZ-Dump was 7,409.21 tons. He commented that the total tons of concrete recycled for FY2013 were 1,386.10 tons. Mr. Bessant stated the FY2013 recycling tonnage was about 3,951.41 tons or 53%. He indicated the FY2013 recycling tonnage without concrete was 2,565.31 or 43%. Mr. Bessant stated the FY2013 recycling credits in tipping fees to EZ-Dump were \$6,618.80. Mr. Campbell asked when did EZ-Dump quit participating in the incentive program. Mr. Bessant replied in December 2012. Mr. Bessant reminded the group that a designated recycler had to recycle at least 75% of material to be eligible for the program in which they receive a \$5.00 incentive credit.

MSW Recycling Incentive Update – Concerning the MSW Recycling Incentive, Mr. Bessant indicated the following companies and municipalities had signed the agreement: Waste Industries, American Waste Systems, GG&G Sanitation, City of Myrtle Beach, Town of Surfside Beach, City of North Myrtle Beach and City of Conway. He stated Horry County, Waste Management and Watts Sanitation have not signed the incentive agreement. Mr. Bessant indicated for July, \$25,000 in credit had been issued toward the incentive program.

Hurricane Conference Update – Mr. Bessant informed the group of Mock Hurricane Conference in Lake City, SC on August 14, 2014. Mr. Bessant indicated about 75 members from the Horry County would be attending the conference.

C&D Recycling Designated Facilities Update – Mr. Bessant stated each year participants in C&D Recycler Program have to meet the requirements for a C&D Recycler License to qualify and receive the HCSWA Recycling Incentive. He informed the Board he received two (2) applications for C&D Recyclers License. Mr. Bessant indicated Lee Disposal and EZ-Dump submitted applications to become C&D Designated Recycling Facilities for FY2014 but only Lee Disposal met the requirements for the HCSWA Recycling Incentive portion of the program.

Mr. Bessant stated in order to issue a C&D Recycler License the HCSWA Board of Directors must first designate those locations where the licenses were being issued to as a C&D Designated Recycling Facility. He stated staff was requesting the HCSWA Board of Directors approve Lee Disposal and EZ-Dump Inc. locations as C&D Designated Recycling Facilities.

Mr. Long moved to approve the designation of Lee Disposal Service located at 211 Tidewater Rd. Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 and EZ Dump Inc. located at 198 Spencer St., Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 as C&D Designated Recycling Facilities for FY2014. There was a second by Mr. Campbell.

Ms. Creech stated she had studied both letters from SCDHEC for each company. Ms. Creech indicated Lee Disposal had recycled more material than EZ-Dump and met the requirements to become a designated facility. Ms. Creech informed the Board that EZ-Dump did not meet the criteria to become a designated facility. She stated the letter from SCDHEC combined information over a two (2) year period. Ms. Creech also stated she called Mr. McDaniel from SCDHEC to ask about the letter given to EZ-Dump and had no response as of yet. Mr. Jones asked why SCDHEC reviewed two (2) years of information for EZ-Dump. He asked if the information gathered was to meet to guidelines and tonnage figures to qualify for the incentive program.

Mr. Bessant stated one of the requirements for becoming a designated facility was to have SCDHEC issue a recertification letter which was completed by both companies. Mr. Knight commented that EZ-Dump was not receiving any incentive because he had not met the SWA specific requirements for the program. Ms. Creech questioned the fairness of the EZ-Dump letter from SCDHEC that averaged both 2011 and 2012 year's tonnages which was 75.72%. She stated the requirements detailed in the Solid Waste Policy and Management Act of 1991 made the EZ-Dump facility a transfer station and not a designated recycling facility and wondered why SCDHEC would issue a letter. Mr. Gray stated the SWA should not overrule SCDHEC when the requirements had been met. He indicated that Mr. Burroughs was trying to meet the requirements for the incentive program. Mr. Bessant informed the Board that SWA policy stated according to SCDHEC regulations the designated facility must meet the guidelines set by SCDHEC in order to obtain a license. Mr. Gray asked Mr. Bessant if EZ-Dump met SWA requirements. Mr. Bessant stated that was correct. Chairman Cokley asked that the motion be amended. Ms. Creech stated she could support Lee Disposal but not EZ-Dump and would like to vote on the haulers separately.

Ms. Creech moved to amend the original motion and to vote on each hauler separately regarding the designation of the hauler as a C&D Designated Recycling Facilities for FY2014. There was a second by Mr. Campbell and the Motion was carried with Mr. Gray voting no.

Mr. Jones moved to accept staff recommendation to approve the designation of Lee Disposal located at 211 Tidewater Rd, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 as a C&D Designated Recycling Facilities for FY2014. There was a second by Mr. Campbell. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gray moved to accept staff recommendation to approve the designation of EZ-Dump Inc. located at 198 Spencer St. Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 as a C&D Designated Recycling Facilities for FY2014. There was a second by Mr. Thompson the Motion was carried with Ms. Creech and Mr. Jones voting no.

Executive Director Update

Mr. Knight briefly discussed the following items with the Board on Page 57-58 in the Board Packet.

Board Team Handbook Update – Mr. Knight stated the Board had received a copy of the Board Team Handbook. He indicated he reviewed the SWA Resolutions and Policy book and stated that information pertinent for the Board such as mission statement, bylaws, conflict of interest, rules of conduct, and flow control was copied and distributed at the meeting as the SWA Board Team Handbook. Mr. Knight stated staff was looking into setting up a webcast on the Board Team Handbook to be attended by the Board and staff. Mr. Knight indicated that a workshop would be held to review this booklet. Chairman Cokley asked staff to proceed with preparation for a workshop. He stated he found the information very useful.

Upcoming SWANA Conference Update – Mr. Knight informed the Board of the upcoming conference Quad State Conference on August 27-30, 2013. He stated this would encompass North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee. Mr. Knight indicated that Mr. Lazarus and Mayor Hatley would be giving the welcome for the group and he looked forward to the conference.

WasteCon Conference Update – Mr. Knight stated that the WasteCon Conference would be held in Long Beach, CA, September 14-20, 2013. He asked any Board Member who wished to attend to please inform Mrs. Murphy.

Association of Counties – Mr. Knight informed the group that he and Mr. Bessant would be attending the Association of Counties meeting in Hilton Head August 4-6, 2013.

There were no other questions or comments on the remaining reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports to come before the Board

OLD BUSINESS

a. Proposed By-Law Amendment Review

Mr. Knight generally reviewed with the Board those sections of the SWA By-Laws which revisions were being proposed. He indicated these revisions included clarification on the process pertaining to the removal of a Board Member; Board Members remaining in compliance with SC Ethics Act; insuring all Board meetings are held in accordance with FOI Act guidelines pertaining to quorums; the duties of the Board officers; and procedures pertaining to the dissolution of the SWA. Mrs. Brittain commented that corrections were made to reflect the proper SC Codes.

Ms. Creech offered comments regarding the section pertaining to the dissolution of the SWA. She indicated that one of the advantages of the SWA is it being fiscally responsible in setting aside funding to cover the costs association with expenditures and liabilities, including closure and post-closure. Ms. Creech expressed her belief that in the event the SWA was dissolved, all debts and expenses should be paid before any money is given to the County or anyone else. She stated on area that concerns her is the funding allocated for closure and post-closure. Ms. Creech commented that if this funding is given to the County, she was unsure if the funding

would be utilized for the intent that it has been collected. She indicated this was of great concern and stated she believed it was the responsibility of the Board to ensure that this designated funding is utilized for the purpose it was collected. Ms. Creech recommended that dissolution section of the By-Laws include verbiage that indicate the closure and post-closure funds would be put in an irrevocable trust and that all SWA debts be paid. She stated that the taxpayers, haulers, etc. have paid their tipping fees and told what the funding would be used for. Ms. Creech stated it was the SWA's duty to be fiscally responsible.

Mr. Gray stated that only the SWA could dissolve the Board. Ms. Creech indicated it was her understanding that County Council could also dissolve the SWA. She commented she would not feel responsible if there is no indication on where and how this funding would be expended. Mr. Campbell indicated he agreed with Ms. Creech. Mr. Jones commented that the inclusion of this type language in the By-Laws could possibly remove the motivation of someone to dissolve the SWA, if they knew the designated funding could not be accessed. Mr. Jones stated the designated funding has been allocated for a designated purpose and that's what it should be used for. Mr. Gray stated he understood the points made and commented that not everyone on County Council believes the SWA is an independent authority, but a unit of county government. Mr. Gray stated one of the reasons for the revisions to the By-Laws was to make it clear that the SWA is a unit of county government. He stated that he agreed that should there be a dissolution of the SWA, the funding set aside for closure and post-closure should remain for that purpose. Mr. Gray asked if Ms. Creech was proposing that no action be taken on the By-Laws tonight in order that Mrs. Brittain could include this language. Mrs. Brittain commented that several issues would need to be investigated regarding this matter, to include discussing this matter with the tax attorney to determine if any of these recommendations would violate any non-profit code provisions. Ms. Creech stated she would certainly want the attorneys to all be comfortable with this recommendation. Mr. Campbell stated designated closure and post-closure funds have been set aside for a specific purpose and if the funding is spent for something else, the closure and post-closure expenses will fall back on the citizens of Horry County. Ms. Creech concurred and indicated this will cause the citizens to have paid for the cost twice.

Mrs. Brittain indicated in the event language pertaining to irrevocable trust and designated funding is included in the proposed By-Law amendment, there may be a need to re-advertise the public notice on the By-Law revisions, because this could constitute a material change to the original advertised revisions. Mrs. Brittain indicated she would seek accounting and legal advice on this matter from those who specialize in governmental funding and accounting practices.

Rev. Cokley recommended that the matter be returned to Mrs. Brittain and staff to address these matters before being considered by the Board.

Mr. Jones moved that the proposed revisions to the By-Laws be returned to SWA staff and Mrs. Brittain in order to investigate the inclusion of the proposed revision pertaining to irrevocable trust and designated funding. There was a second by Mr. Gray and the Motion was unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

a. **Surplus Equipment Sale Recommendation**

Mr. Hilling gave a brief update on the surplus items for sale as a result of the LFG expansion project a flare stack, control panel and blower. He indicated staff was requesting the surplus

items, be placed on Govdeals.com. Mr. Hilling recommended posting these units for sale “as is” and needed Board approval since the items would be over \$10,000.

Mr. Thompson moved to accept staff recommendation list the LFG flare stack, control panel and blower on Govdeals.com. There was a second by Mr. Campbell the Motion was carried.

b. Saddle Area Closure

Mr. Hilling offered an update on the bid tabulation and contractor selection process for the Piggyback Access Road and Saddle Area Closure project. Mr. Hilling advised the Board that four (4) responses were received and indicated King Construction Services submitted the low bid of \$1,768,607.92. He indicated that staff and Vance Moore performed a thorough review of all bids and determined that King Construction Services offered the low bid, met all requirements of the bid and were subsequently deemed responsible. Mr. Hilling stated staff conducted a review of the references for King Construction Services and said all references came back positive. Mr. Hilling stated based on the responsive bid and the positive references, staff selected King Construction Services to perform the construction of the Piggyback Access Road and Saddle Area Closure project.

Mr. Hilling advised the Board that staff was pleased that there was a savings between the actual bid amount and project estimates. He reminded the Board that these projects were originally planned as two individual projects that were to be bid separately. Mr. Hilling stated that after lengthy discussion between staff and the engineers, it was decided to bid the two projects as one. He indicated staff opted to remove the requirement that the contractor have experience with synthetic liner installation from the bid documents. This allowed for more competitive bidding and opened the door for local contractors. Mr. Hilling informed the group that of the nine contractors that attended the pre-bid conference, two (2) were from outside of Horry County. He indicated the four (4) bids received were all from local contractors, which staff believed lowered the bid pricing. Mr. Hilling commented that the difference between the high bid and the low bid was \$705,419.

Mr. Hilling then reviewed the differences between the bid and the project estimates for each portion of the project. With regards to the Piggyback Access Road construction, Mr. Hilling stated that the project budget amount was \$2,100,000 and the bid amount was \$1,384,793, which was a difference of \$715,207. He explained again that the initial plan was to bid each project individually, which would have increased the costs. Mr. Hilling stated the initial plan was to have the road go over the Saddle Area. In order to have a permanent road that would access both the MSW landfill, C&D landfill and the future planned Piggyback Expansion, the original road plan was changed. Mr. Hilling commented that if the road was located as originally designed, the road would have had to be moved again, resulting in added expense. He indicated the SWA saved 25% (\$461,600) of the cost by constructing a portion of the permanent road by SWA staff. The SWA staff also relocated the container area that was formerly located in the Saddle Area. He indicated this was accomplished approximately a year ago by SWA staff. Mr. Hilling informed the Board that cost savings were also realized in engineering costs by bidding the construction as one project, mobilization and bid document preparation. However, Mr. Hilling stated, there is still the possibility that the project may have change orders due to the unknowns of constructing a road on an existing landfill.

Concerning the Saddle Closure Project, Mr. Hilling indicated the project budget amount was \$950,000 and the bid amount was \$383,814, which equated to a \$566,186 cost savings. Mr. Hilling advised the Board that this project required removal of unsuitable materials from the site. He indicated this task was performed in-house by SWA staff, which resulted in an estimated 18% (\$90,000) cost savings. He again commented that by bidding both projects as one, additional cost savings were realized in engineering costs by bidding the construction as one project, mobilization and bid document preparation. Mr. Hilling informed the Board that by revising the location of the Piggyback Access Road, there was no longer a need to incorporate stormwater runoff controls, which would have been an added expense. Mr. Hilling again reminded the Board that there is still the possibility that the project may have change orders due to the unknowns in the Saddle Area since it was utilized as a portion of the landfill in the early 1990's. In closing, Mr. Hilling reminded the Board that any funding remaining after the completion of the Piggyback Access Road and Saddle Area Closure project would remain in the designated account.

Mr. Gray indicated that staff had done an outstanding job in saving the SWA approximately \$1 Million. He stated that usually bid costs exceed the estimated project budget and he commended staff on their efforts in this project cost savings. Mr. Hilling commented that it was a combination of several things that allowed for this cost savings and thanked staff for their work.

Mrs. Creech commented that she attended the pre-bid meeting and expressed her appreciation to Mr. Hilling for his patience with regard to her many questions. She commented that staff has done a good job in saving funding.

Mr. Knight advised the Board that staff will issue the bid award letter to King Construction Services tomorrow, which will be followed by a 14-day waiting period to allow the other bidders to protest the bid process and/or award.

c. Board Committee Assignments

Chairman Cokley reviewed with the Board the Committee assignments for the upcoming year. There were no questions or comments regarding the Committee assignments.

Mr. Thompson moved to accept the Board of Directors Committee Assignments for FY2014. There was a second by Mr. Campbell the Motion was carried.

d. Roundtable Discussion

Ms. Creech asked when the Committees would meet. Chairman Cokley replied the committees would meet when there was a request from staff or the Chair. Mr. Campbell asked Mr. Knight about meeting with the economic development group. Mr. Knight indicated there was discussion on the SWA C&D recycling incentive programs. Mr. Knight stated the meeting was informative and ideas were exchanged.

Chairman Cokley thanked the Board for a very productive meeting and stated he was looking forward to having a good and prosperous year.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Chairman Cokley moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was carried** and the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Minutes approved on August 27, 2013.

HORRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, INC.

BY: _____(L. S.)
James H. Cokley, D. Min, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Dan P. Gray, Secretary

_____(L. S.)
J. Michael Campbell

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Pam J. Creech

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W. Norfleet Jones

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