

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING
HORRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, INC.
June 30, 2020**

The Horry County Solid Waste Authority, Inc. held an Annual Meeting on Tuesday, June 30, 2020, at 7:15 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: Michael H. Hughes, Chairman; Bo Ives, Vice Chairman; J. Michael Campbell, Secretary; Pam J. Creech, Treasurer; and Board Members Samuel T. Johnson, Jr., W. Norfleet Jones and Carl H. Schwartzkopf.

Amos C. Berry was present. There were no members of the media or public in attendance.

The following individuals were also in attendance: Danny Knight, Executive Director; Esther Murphy, Director; Mike Bessant, Director; and other staff members to include Nannette Powell, Cecil Terry and Susie Wofford.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hughes called the Annual Meeting to order and asked Mr. Knight to proceed with the Agenda.

Mr. Knight stated that he started at the SWA in 2009 and has worked with eight different Chairman and 18 different Board Members. He indicated the SWA was established by prior Boards to function as it does now. Mr. Knight commented that previous Board Members had the foresight to fund the designated accounts for future projects and growth.

ANNUAL REPORTS

a. Executive Director Report.

Mr. Knight listed several of the accomplishments for FY2020 that was contained in the packet. They include, but are not limited to:

- Completed upgrades to Administrative Office Multipurpose Room audio and video system to include new conference call system
- Completed the Annual Progress Report and submitted to SC DHEC
- Participated in and provided information to Horry County Government pertaining to the development of an Impact fee
- Developed new public outreach campaign "Watch Out Wednesday's" to offer virtual tours, recycling crafts, etc.
- Applied for and receive \$172,545 in SCDHEC Grant Funding to be used on various programs to include, waste tire disposal, used oil collection and battery recycling
- Oversaw the SWA Recycling Grant program and awarded over \$68,000 in recycling grants to eight (8) municipalities and businesses

- Continued to promote business recognition program, Spotlight on Environmental Awareness (SEA) program
- Awarded thirteen (13) scholarships to graduating Horry County seniors
- 14th year of POP Art Recycling contest with “Tis the Season to Recycling” Wreath named as winner
- Completed 20th year of Talkin’ Trash Program with 767,370 pounds recycled
- Developed new YouTube page – SWA Public Education to promote virtual environmentally based learning
- Initiated commingling of newspaper and commingle recyclables to improve operational efficiencies at centers and MRF
- Continue to recognize outstanding recycling centers with “Site of the Quarter” recognition
- Continue to recognize residents recycling at center through monthly “Caught Green Handed” program
- MRF upgrade of sort lines and the addition of optic sorters to reduce manpower and improve quality
- SWA employees completely upgraded and painted any existing equipment that was not replaced with the upgrade
- Constructed an addition on E-Waste building at the MRF for storage
- Completed FY20 Waste Characterization Study
- Scales and Scalehouse upgraded to four (4) scales improving traffic flow for customers
- Demolished the old two-story house next to The Store
- Completed the construction of the storage building for The Store. The landfill employees did the dirt work and landscaping for the new facility
- Completed annual Sexual Harassment and Diversity Training for all employees
- Repaired drainage issue around Administrative Office and had the landscaping redone during the repair
- Assisted 101 people in completing their community service requirement with Drug/Mental Health Court. The equated to 2,394.75 hours of assistance.
- Completed FY19 annual audit with no management letter
- Received \$163,772 for FEMA for temporary road and scales repairs from hurricane

Mr. Knight commented that on June 30, 2020 the permit public review comment section of the Piggyback Expansion with DHEC would end. He remarked that DHEC had a 45-day period to answer any questions that were made during the Public Hearing. Mr. Knight stated that the permit application was a tedious process. He commented that during the public input section of the DHEC Public Hearing questions were raised about the flood maps. Mr. Knight indicated that during the flooding the Highway 90 the entrance was closed and staff constructed a temporary entrance to get in and out of the landfill. He commented that the SWA had a busy year and he wanted to thank the Board and staff for their support.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Ratification of Action Taken By Board – June 2019 – May 2020

Motion was made by Mr. Jones to ratify action taken by the Board for the period of June 2019 through May 2020. Mr. Campbell gave a second, and the Motion was unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Election of Officers

Mr. Hughes stated at this time it was appropriate to accept a report from the Nominations Committee. Ms. Creech indicated the Nominations Committee selected the following slate of officers:

Fiscal Year 2021 – Board Officers

- Chairman – Bo Ives
- Vice Chairman – W. Norfleet Jones
- Secretary – Samuel T. Johnson, Jr.
- Treasurer – Carl H. Schwartzkopf

Ms. Creech moved that the above slate of officers be approved and accepted for Fiscal Year 2021. There was a second by Mr. Campbell. There being no further discussion, the Motion was unanimously carried.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Chairman Hughes thanked Mr. Campbell for his eight (8) years of hard work and dedication to the Solid Waste Authority. Mr. Campbell thanked the Board and staff and commented that he enjoyed his time at the SWA. He stated everyone here was like family and would be missed.

Mr. Schwartzkopf thanked Mr. Michael Hughes for serving as the Board Chairman for the past two years. He indicated that Mr. Hughes leadership, guidance, and direction was an asset to this organization. The Board concurred.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Schwartzkopf moved, seconded by Mr. Campbell to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was carried and the Annual Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Minutes approved on July 28, 2020.

HORRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, INC.

BY: _____ (L. S.)
Bo Ives, Chairman

ATTEST:

Samuel T. Johnson, Jr., Secretary

Amos C. Berry

Pam J. Creech

Michael H. Hughes

_____(L. S.)
W. Norfleet Jones

_____(L. S.)
Carl H. Schwartzkopf