

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
HORRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, INC.
February 26, 2013**

The Horry County Solid Waste Authority, Inc. held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February, 26, 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: Danny J. Hardee, Chairman; Rev. James H. Cokley, Vice Chairman; M. Lance Thompson, Board Treasurer; Basem E. Hilal, Board Secretary; and Board Members J. Michael Campbell, Dan P. Gray, and John R. Long, II.

Ex Officio Members Steve Gosnell and Bill Graham were not in attendance. Highway 90 Liaison Michael Hughes, Gloria Stubbs and Bill Stubbs 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, Esther Murphy, Director; Bill Hilling, Director; Donna Crump, Director; Emma Ruth Brittain, SWA Attorney and other staff to include Rodney Cannon, Jan Bitting, Wayne Martin, Mike Bessant, Larry Fine, Cecil Terry, Chris Calhoun, Stephanie Todd and Nannette Powell.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hardee called the meeting to order and asked Rev. Cokley to render the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Mr. Hilal moved to approve the Agenda as presented. There was a second by Rev. Cokley and the Motion was carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Hardee asked for any questions on or amendments to the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 22, 2013, as contained in the Agenda Packet.

Mr. Gray stated in the minutes of the January 22, 2013, Board meeting, Mr. Campbell moved to allocate \$100,000 be designated for lobbyists. Mr. Gray indicated this was discussed at the Pre-Budget Workshop held on February 12, 2013. At the Workshop, Mr. Gray commented about Beam & Associates on lobbying and consulting for the SWA. He asked Mr. Campbell to restrict the lobbying expenditures at \$100,000 and other expenditures at \$50,000 for a total \$150,000 as discussed at the workshop. Mr. Thompson stated that was also his understanding that \$100,000 was designated for lobbying and \$50,000 was designated for consulting. Mr. Gray asked if Mr. Campbell would amend the motion.

Mr. Campbell moved to amend the motion to allocate \$100,000 designated for lobbying expenditures and \$50,000 designated for consulting with any expenditures exceeding \$150,000 by Beam & Assoc. being brought back to the Board for additional review. There was a second by Mr. Thompson and the Motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Hilal moved to approve the Minutes of the January 22, 2013, Regular Meeting as amended. There was a second by Mr. Campbell and the Motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman Hardee asked for any additional questions on or amendments to the Minutes of the Pre-Budget Workshop held on February 12, 2013, as contained in the Agenda packet.

Mr. Hilal moved to approve the Minutes of the February 12, 2013, Pre-Budget Workshop. There was a second by Mr. Long. The Motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Gray introduced Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stubbs who were both retired educators from Greenville, SC and attended Ocean View Baptist Church. Mrs. Gloria Stubbs gave a presentation on plastic bag recycling. She indicated her missionary group used the bags to make mats for the homeless. Mrs. Stubbs stated that the mats were given to the Street Reach Ministry. She commented the mats were used for sleeping and could be washed off if dirty or muddy. Mrs. Stubbs explained that to crochet one (1) mat took about 500 to 600 plastic bags. She commented that the sleeping mats were easy to carry and care for. Mr. Gray and the Board thanked Mr. and Mrs. Stubbs for coming and giving this presentation on plastic bag recycling.

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 1-30 in the Board Packet.

Recycling Center of the Quarter Update- Mrs. Murphy stated that the Bucksport site was awarded the Recycling Center of the Quarter. She indicated this was one of the goals in the Recycling Division this year. Mrs. Murphy commented she and staff developed a recognition program for the recycling centers and stated this program recognized centers that met certain goals and criteria. Mrs. Murphy discussed specific criteria such as maintenance, appearance, container usage, efficiency and customer service skills. She stated she was pleased to award the Bucksport site as the first quarter winner. Mrs. Murphy indicated that Mrs. Debbie Hardwick, the site attendant for Bucksport, did an excellent job. She commented the next Recycling Center of the Quarter would be announced in April 2013.

Grinding of the Greens Update – Mrs. Murphy indicated the Grinding the Greens program began December 26, 2012 and concluded on January 23, 2013. She stated approximately 6,000 trees were recycled through the program this year. Mrs. Murphy indicated this was increased over last year by 1,000 trees. She informed the group that Christmas tree mulch was still available for pickup here at the landfill free of charge.

CRA Conference Update – Mrs. Murphy stated that the Carolina Recycling Association Conference (CRA) would be held April 8-12, 2013 at Kingston Plantation. She indicated the

SWA would be a designated tour for the conference. Mrs. Murphy commented that tours would be held on April 9th. She informed the group that CRA would also tour Wellman Industries and Coastal Carolina University. Mrs. Murphy stated this information was in the Board Packet and stated if any Board Members would be interested in attending the conference she would gladly register them for the conference.

SC Ethics Statement of Economic Interest Update – Mrs. Murphy reminded the Board the Statement of Economic Interest should be filed electronically and submitted before April 15, 2013. She stated that any member needing assistance should contact Mrs. Powell.

Various Events and Updates – Mrs. Murphy offered an update on the following events:

- **Smart Gardner Workshop Update** – Mrs. Murphy informed the Board of the Smart Gardner Workshop to be held on March 20-21, 2013. She stated this gardener's workshop had been held in past several years. Mrs. Murphy indicated there would be two (2) guest speakers, Mr. Gary Forrester from the Clemson Extension and Mr. Basem Hilal. Mrs. Murphy indicated the workshop was open to the public and advertised in the paper. She stated seating was limited to the first 50 people who registered.
- **Home Show Update** – Mrs. Murphy stated the Home Show was held February 22-24, 2013 at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. She indicated the weather played a significant factor in the attendance at the Home Show. Mrs. Murphy stated there were over 8,000 attendees at the Home Show this year. She indicated over 1,000 bags of glass aggregate and compost sample were given away. Mrs. Murphy stated open house flyers were also given away at the Home Show. Mr. Knight stated the question asked most at the Home Show was why doesn't Horry County have mandatory recycling. Mrs. Murphy thanked Mr. Hilal, Mr. Campbell SWA Board Members for assisting our booth. She also thanked staff Mrs. Hook, Mr. Hyman, Mrs. Wofford, Mr. Cannon, Mr. Barker, Ms. Terry, Mr. Martin and Mr. Knight for working and making this year's Home Show a success.
- **Open House Update** – Mrs. Murphy stated the Open House this quarter had the largest turnout since the start of the Open House. Mr. Gray asked if the visitors toured the landfill. Mrs. Murphy commented the visitors toured the office facility and were given a little history of the SWA then they were taken on a landfill tour. Mr. Gray asked what questions were asked. She indicated most asked how long had the SWA been here, and most were surprised that the SWA is not funded by tax dollars Mr. Cannon stated during the tour he was asked about the compost and mulch. He indicated the visitors did not know about the various programs the SWA offered. Mr. Campbell asked how many participants came to the Open House. Mrs. Murphy stated 13 people came to the Open House and 10 came before 1:00 P.M. Mrs. Murphy indicated that several people toured the landfill had concerns regarding articles in the newspaper. She stated Mr. Bessant was on hand to answer any questions regarding flow control.

Operations and Planning Update

Mr. Hilling reviewed his reports with the Board, which were included as Pages 31-49 in the Board Packet.

Land Use Plan Update – Mr. Hilling stated that on the A-2 property staff assisted the Forestry Commission with the prescribed burning at 123-acres. He indicated it had been three (3) years since conditions allowed this procedure. Mr. Hilling commented that staff did a great job cleaning up the breaks and getting the property prepared for the burn. Mr. Gray asked what was the A-2 property. Mr. Hilling stated it was the 1187-acre property.

Landfill Inspection Update – Mr. Hilling advised the Board that DHEC had inspected the landfill for February. He stated the landfill had received all 1's. Mr. Hilling indicated that this inspection included special waste and all required documentation was in good order and correct. He informed the group that this month staff had picked up 750 bags of litter on the landfill. He congratulated staff on a job well done.

Perform Cleaning and Maintenance to Outfall #6 Update – Mr. Hilling offered an update of the clearing and maintenance stormwater outfall #6. He stated old rock was removed, replaced and the area was cleaned of excess vegetation. Mr. Hilling indicated this would ensure that water collects in the pond from a storm event and would filter efficiently through the rock outlet. He stated this was a part of the stormwater plan. Mr. Gray asked where was this located. Mr. Hilling indicated this was located near side riser #8. Mr. Gray asked if this was used as a filtration system. Mr. Hilling replied that was correct.

Outbound Scale Replacement Update – Mr. Hilling discussed the replacement of the outbound scales. He stated the replacement of inbound scales occurred in 2008. Mr. Hilling indicated that three (3) proposals were received. He commented the outbound scales began showing stress cracks and metal wear. Mr. Hilling indicated Toledo Scales offered the best price with compatibility with our current system. He stated the older set had been placed on Govdeals.com and sold for \$6,285.

Driver of the Month Update – Mr. Hilling stated Neal Johnson from the Town of Surfside Beach was named Driver of the Month for January, and stated he was a very courteous driver and well deserving of the honor.

Airspace Savings by Material Update – Mr. Hilling indicated that Mr. Long had asked about the airspace saving during the Pre-Budget Workshop held on February 12, 2013. He stated Mr. Long asked how much recycled each commodity would save on landfill space. Mr. Hilling commented he calculated the saving in tonnage and cubic yards. He stated tonnage method saved a total of 52.04 days but the cubic yard method saved a total of 59.84 days.

Finance and Administration Update

Mrs. Crump presented the Finance & Administration reports to the Board, which was included as Pages 50-68 in the Board Packet.

Sonoco Contract Update- Mrs. Crump gave a brief overview of the Sonoco Contract. She stated in November 2011, the SWA entered into a contract with Sonoco Recycling. Mrs. Crump indicated the contract was to process and market recyclable material. She indicated the contract was initiated on January 1, 2012, and stated the term of the contract two (2) year's with three (3) one (1) year automatic renewals and 180 days written notice prior to the expiration date. Mrs. Crump indicated in the contract Sonoco received exclusive rights to

market all material generated through and by Sonoco. She stated Sonoco would provide 160 tons per month of cardboard for rebaling. Mrs. Crump indicated Sonoco would provide up to 500 tons commingle material per month as agreed upon by both parties. She stated the SWA could buy baling wire at Sonoco's cost. Mrs. Crump commented that Sonoco would provide the SWA with educational material such as viewing their plants through web cam and provide educational programs. She indicated that Sonoco would pay for contamination and/or rejects if a solution could not be reached. Mrs. Crump stated the contract could be terminated in the event of a material breach of the terms within thirty days written notice. She indicated that the contract could also be terminated in the event of adverse market conditions that resulted in the contract not being financially beneficial or feasible to the parties. Mrs. Crump acknowledged that the SWA would reimburse Sonoco for the freight and cost of the material that they were providing to the SWA. She commented that the SWA also agreed to pay a \$5.00 marketing fee for every ton sold through Sonoco. Mr. Gray asked for clarification concerning Sonoco's exclusive rights to market all material generated by or through the HCSWA that was provided by Sonoco for processing. Mrs. Crump indicated this was the commingle material Sonoco brought to the MRF. She stated with this commingle material Sonoco had exclusive rights to market this material. Mrs. Crump informed the group that material the MRF collected was sold by the SWA. Mr. Gray asked if Sonoco has the right to sell the material they brought to the MRF. Mrs. Crump stated that was correct. She indicated the contract stated all materials would have to be marketed through Sonoco. Mrs. Crump stated Sonoco has exclusive rights to sell their material. Mr. Gray asked if it was based on tons. Mrs. Crump stated that was correct. She indicated that the MRF receives all revenue except \$5.00 per ton which was the marketing fee the SWA agreed to pay. Mrs. Crump informed the group that through the bid process the highest bid is not ensured the award. She stated the contract stipulates Sonoco will provide a purchase order with the prices listed for materials they sell to their vendors. Mrs. Crump indicated \$5.00 was taken off the price and the SWA receives the balance of the revenue. Mr. Hardee stated the SWA would not have the additional tonnage without the Sonoco contract. Mrs. Crump indicated that Sonoco had transported 3,000 tons to the MRF. She stated the SWA reimbursed some of the cost to Sonoco. Mrs. Crump reminded the group of the freight cost on all material transported to the MRF and the cost for the material. Mr. Gray asked if that covered Sonoco's direct cost. Mrs. Crump stated that was correct. She also indicated she had copies of all contracts Sonoco had with the municipalities and the freight charges. Mrs. Crump indicated she had copies of purchase orders for material being received by Sonoco. She stated the tonnage of re-baled cardboard coming in was 234.21 tons for 2012. Mrs. Crump indicated 12,086.90 tons were sold to Sonoco. She commented that 82% of material the SWA sold went to Sonoco. Mrs. Crump reviewed the volume of material processed and sold. She stated \$94,731.25 was the material cost to Sonoco. Mrs. Crump indicated the marketing fee was \$60,434 (5.00 X 12,086.90). She discussed the amount of revenue the SWA would receive with and without the Sonoco contract. Mrs. Crump indicated the estimated net profit with Sonoco contract was \$1,120,441.47, the estimated net profit without the Sonoco contract was \$993,494.28, which calculated to an estimated increase of \$250,416.09. Mrs. Crump reminded the group commodities prices were down and said the volume of material coming from Sonoco was beneficial to our revenues. Mr. Long asked if net profits were up \$200,000. Mrs. Crump stated net profits were up \$250,416.09. Mr. Long asked about any extra cost associated with the extra tonnage. Mrs. Crump informed the group that extra costs were assessed based on the \$72.00 per ton cost to process the materials. She stated with the volume of material the MRF efficiency had excelled. Mrs.

Crump commented that Mr. Jacquette, and MRF staff does a excellent job processing the material and keeping expenditures down. Mr. Knight acknowledged Mr. Jacquette does an exceptional job at the MRF.

Financial Reports – Mrs. Crump offered a review of Financial Reports as contained in the packet and informed the Board that in January net income had a loss of (\$53,497.00). She stated The Store had a net income of \$1,630.74. Mrs. Crump indicated that adjustments were being made at The Store to increase revenue, with one suggestion to be open another day without increasing expenditures. Mr. Campbell commented that The Store had great buys and asked Mrs. Crump if the Store does any advertising. She indicated The Store had flyers and flashcards for their advertisement. Mrs. Crump stated the Council on Aging also advertised for The Store. She reviewed the Estimated Landfill Liabilities chart. Mrs. Crump stated this was discussed at the Pre-Budget Workshop held on February 12, 2013. She commented the figures had been adjusted because the estimated closing date of the landfill had been bumped out from 2035 to 2043. She stated that was good but this would raise the closure costs due to inflation. Mrs. Crump stated the figures had been adjusted on the Estimated Landfill Liabilities chart to reflect the decisions made at the workshop. Mrs. Crump stated MSW tonnage was down 4% as compared to this time last year and C&D tonnage was up 9% compared to last year. Mrs. Crump stated the recycling rate for the C&D Factory was 62% and year-to-date 64%. Mrs. Crump indicated at the Pre-Budget Workshop Mr. Gray asked about non-departmental expenditure projections FY2013. She reviewed the FY2013 expenditures projections. Mrs. Crump discussed the first two columns were actual expenditures for the first 6-months of FY2012 and FY2013. She stated the third column was the projected budget figure of \$546,034. Mrs. Crump commented many of the estimated expenditures have not occurred, such as contingency funds and fuel contingency expenditures. Mr. Gray indicated that the fuel contingency budget was the largest part of the difference. Mrs. Crump stated fuel contingency budget for the year was \$215,000 which accounted for half and county fees and contingency made up the difference. She advised the Board there was a voided check run included on the February 8, 2013, check register which is currently on the SWA website. Mrs. Crump stated April 5, 2013 a scheduled date for the Budget Workshop and also stated Mrs. Powell asked her to announce the Health Screening would on March 5, 2013, and was open to all Board Members. Mr. Campbell asked Mrs. Powell about the different kind of tests for the Health Screening. Mrs. Powell indicated basic testing such as screening for cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL and LDL.

Special Projects & Governmental Affairs Update

Mr. Bessant presented an update on various projects in which were included as Pages 69-72 of the Board Packet.

C&D Recycling Incentive Program Update – Mr. Bessant stated January tonnage was down, with the total tons of material received from the designated C&D recycling centers being 662.26 tons, of which, 563.84 tons was recycled tonnage. He stated tonnage was down because E-Z Dump was no longer bringing incentive loads to the landfill. Mr. Bessant indicated the total incentive tons for January were 138.26 tons. He stated the reduction in tipping fees to the designated C&D haulers was \$691.30 for January. Mr. Bessant indicated the year-to-date tonnage for the program was 7,564.99. He commented that the total tons of concrete recycled for January were 2,614.80 tons. Mr. Bessant stated the year-to-date recycling tonnage was about 4,825.42 tons or 64%. He indicated the year-to-date recycling

tonnage without concrete was 2,210.62 or 45%. Mr. Bessant stated the year-to-date recycling credits in tipping fees were \$9,288.75. He indicated the SWA has a 66% recycling rate without concrete. Mr. Thompson asked if E-Z Dump responded to the correspondence sent to him from the SWA. Mr. Bessant acknowledged he spoke with Mr. Burroughs and asked if he could still operate his facility. Mr. Bessant commented that Mr. Burroughs could operate his facility but would not receive the incentive. Mr. Thompson asked what the total incentive budget figure was for the year. Mr. Bessant replied it was \$25,000 to \$30,000.

Legislative Update – Mr. Bessant offered an update on the current legislative session. He stated he along with Mr. Knight, Mr. Gray, and Mr. Campbell attended a Sub-Committee Meeting. He indicated that The Three Rivers Authority was present with their bond attorneys and other counties also sent representation. Mr. Bessant commented that the Association of Counties indicated 23 counties have ordinances with some type of flow control in place. He stated flow control affects more than Horry County. Mr. Campbell commented that the other counties have realized they also have a vested interest in flow control. Mr. Bessant stated the Association of Counties has taken an enthusiastic interest and has started educating various counties on this legislation. He indicated the other counties realize the serious impact flow control would have on each county. Mr. Bessant discussed that the Sub-Committee wanted DHEC to give a presentation on the Demonstration of Need regulations, which stated how many landfills were needed in the state. He indicated Kent Coleman, DHEC's, Director of the Solid Waste Division, stated all counties had some form of flow control whether it was user fees, tax mileage or contract fees. Mr. Bessant stated the bill passed and was now between the sub-committee and full committee. Mr. Gray asked if Mr. Bessant would let him know about the next meeting.

Horry County Council Administrative Meeting Update – Mr. Bessant briefly reviewed with the Board that county council discussed the counties options on Home Rule. He stated county council unanimously passed a resolution stating if the state legislature passes laws to dismiss flow control they would seek legal council to protect Home Rule in Horry County.

Various Events – Mr. Bessant offered an update on the following items:

- **Haulers Meeting Update** – Mr. Bessant informed the Board of the Haulers Meeting on March 21, 2013 held at the Administrative Building at 3:00P.M. He suggested this was the time for haulers to voice any concerns about the landfill.
- **Disaster Debris Training Update** – Mr. Bessant stated a tentatively date of April 15, 2013 from 9-1 P.M for storm debris training. He would invite the municipalities for this training. Mr. Bessant stated he would discuss topics to include a mock storm, practice responses and new FEMA regulations. He stated each city had their own contract with some cities tied to the SWA debris removal and monitoring contracts. Mr. Bessant indicated the SWA uses Phillips & Jordan and Crowder Gulf.

Executive Director Update

Mr. Knight briefly discussed the following items with the Board on Pages 73-77 in the Board Packet.

Safety Committee Accident Policy Update – Mr. Knight stated the Board allowed the Executive Director to establish and administer an Employee Safety Committee. He indicated he was recommending the establishment of a policy to encourage employees to take better

care of SWA equipment. Mr. Knight stated this policy was to upgrade the current SWA accident policy. He stated if an accident was preventable certain things were taken into consideration such as repairs. Mr. Knight commented a committee would be setup to include two (2) SWA Directors, Special Projects and Governmental Affairs Manager, Human Resources Manager, Fleet Services Manager, and two (2) employees and the committee would make recommendations on what should happen. He stated damage assessments would range from \$50.00 to \$1,000. Mr. Thompson asked if this policy had been used before. Mr. Knight stated no but this policy was mirrored after the County policy. He indicated if an accident happened then the committee would meet to determine if the accident was preventable. Mr. Long asked where Mr. Knight got the format for this policy. Mr. Knight stated he used the same format the County used.

Mr. Long moved to accept the Executive Director's recommendation to adopt the Safety Committee and Accident Review Policy. There was a second Mr. Thompson by the Motion was carried unanimously.

MB Sustainable Living and Green Building Update – Mr. Knight stated briefly the committee had another month to finalize their plans before going to Myrtle Beach City Council. He indicated he was hopeful city council would approve some recycling plans for green building and the storm water.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There was no Committee Reports to come before the Board

OLD BUSINESS

Dan Gray Information Request Update – Mr. Knight gave a brief update on the following list of questions submitted in writing by Mr. Gray in his November 27, 2012 e-mail.

1. *Copies of original invoices form lobbyist Beam & Associated totaling \$856,132 per the attached report submitted by you on November 20, 2012. Please include copies of subsequent revisions of the original invoices.*

Mr. Knight stated this material was discussed at length at the Pre-Budget Workshop on February 12, 2013. Chairman Hardee also invited the Board to come and review the files especially if they have any questions.

2. *Explanation of how \$653,759 describes as governmental relations, etc. is not lobbying.*

Mr. Knight commented the SWA filed lobbying reports based on South Carolina law and an example was the SWA may pay the lobbyist for work if he talked to a senator for 15 minutes but waited 8 hours to do so the SWA's state report would indicate the 15 minutes as lobbying, but would we would owe the lobbyist for 8 hours plus 15 minutes. He indicated when this ethic report was filed with the state; the SWA records reflect the same as the lobbyist. Mr. Knight stated staff had invoices and

justification for the billing and this was also discussed in depth at the Pre-Budget Workshop on February 12, 2013.

3. *Detail how \$138,343 was issued to Beam & Associates and subsequently voided. Specifically, where is the credit or repayment from Beam? Why is this listed as a payment to Beam in the check register? What is the total amount of payments to Beam & Associates shown in the audited financial statements for the period covered?*

Mr. Knight commented on statement made about the check register whether this was a credit or repayment to show up from Beam. He stated the checks were never written the register was turned in and staff discovered the mistake. Mr. Knight indicated the checks were re-ran and correctly printed. He stated at the November 20, 2012 meeting this was discussed and acknowledged. Mr. Knight commented this was discussed at the November 27, 2012 meeting and he thought the problem had been clarified.

4. *Explanation of why a publicly owned waste company operating as a monopoly needs to spend \$488,215 with a public relations firm in two years for promotion.*

Mr. Knight stated he and Mr. Gray disagreed with whether the SWA has a monopoly. He explained the promotional programs were dealing with the educational and recycling programs. He indicated that this year staff would look at the advertising part in this year's budget.

5. *Explanation of \$103,230 charges for Buist Tract Wetlands Delineation.*

Mr. Knight stated the A-2 1187-acre tract is located over at the MRF. He acknowledged the wetlands delineation would be expiring and the SWA had to do a new delineation. Mr. Knight indicated maps were re-done and this was an expensive process. He suggested had this not taken place the SWA could not have used that property in the future. Mr. Knight commented this area was also a major storm debris site for the SWA.

6. *Documentation of HCSWA being an IRS 501 (a) tax exempt corporation. Explanation of what a 501 (a) corporation is. Clarification of whether HCSWA tax exempt status allows it to hire lobbyist and influence legislation.*

Mr. Knight stated this was IRS documentation and Mrs. Crump would distribute this documentation. Mrs. Crump handed out the Revenue Procedure 95-48 documentation.

7. *Copy of IRS letter stating HCSWA not required to tax form 990.*

Mr. Knight commented this was IRS documentation and Mrs. Crump distributed this documentation. He stated the SWA has hired a tax attorney that informed the SWA that the lobbying efforts were legal.

8. *Clarification of whether Fund 6 property tax monies are used to purchase properties held in the name of HCSWA. Specifically, Convenience Center sites located in rural areas subject to special solid waste property tax.*

Mr. Knight indicated no. Chairman Hardee replied the old Board was able to buy and sell land but this Board cannot buy or sell land. He stated Horry County Council has to approve the buying and selling of land. Mr. Gray asked about two purchases of land one (1) was the Re Sale Store and the other Socastee Convenience Center. He stated both were purchased in the last several years and both in the price range of \$300,000. Mr. Knight stated Horry County Council approved those purchases. Mr. Gray stated his question was who owns the property for the Socastee site. Mr. Knight stated Horry County owns that property and Fund 6 paid for that property. Mr. Knight indicated the Store was paid for out of SWA tipping fees. He stated the SWA had an appraisal done and the SWA paid less than the appraisal.

9. *Copies of documents for HCSWA purchase of transfer station locations at Ron McNair Boulevard and Stephens Crossroads. Statement of what property purchased for and why it is still being held and not sold as surplus.*

Mr. Knight stated this property was purchased years ago when property values were up. Mr. Knight commented property values are down and when the value comes back up then we should sell. Chairman Hardee stated county council indicated when prices start going up then the SWA should consider selling off excess extra property. Mr. Knight commented the information on this lawsuit (Transfer Station) was very extensive and filled 12 banker boxes of information. He stated every piece of information about the transfer station was in those boxes.

10. *Copies of HCSWA check register for FY 08, FY 09, & FY 10 that comport with audited financial statements.*

Mr. Knight stated Mr. Gray had already received this information from staff. Mr. Knight indicated he had copies of the check registers if the Board wanted to review them. He stated if any Board member needed any information just come and staff would assist them. Mr. Gray thanked Mr. Knight.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to come before the Board

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Chairman Hardee 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 March 26, 2013.

HORRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, INC.

BY: _____(L. S.)
Danny J. Hardee, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Basem E. Hilal, Secretary

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J. Michael Campbell

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