

Stormwater Advisory Board
Tuesday, June 28, 2011 @ 3:00 p.m.
Multi Purpose Room D

Members Present: Rawlin Booth, Robert Castles, Diane Creel, John Richards, Raymond Smith, Liston Wells, Bill Megert (outgoing), Ron Saunders (incoming)

Members Absent: Robert Boyd, Allison Butler, Bob Cline, Lawrence Langdale, David Prince

Staff members present: Tom Garigen, Tanna Deal, Dave Fuss, Dr. Susan Libes

In accordance with the FOIA, a public notice of the meeting was advertised on the Government Access Channel stating the date, time and location of the meeting. Additionally, the meeting was posted on the HCG Website Calendar.

Call to Order: Chairwoman Diane Creel called the meeting to order at 3:15pm. Rawlin Booth gave the invocation. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Input: None Given.

Chairwoman Creel introduced Ronald Saunders, new board member for District 5. She thanked Bill Megert for his time and contribution to the Stormwater Advisory Board.

Approval of Minutes for April 26, 2011 – Liston Wells made a motion; seconded by John Richards to accept the minutes. Unanimously approved by the Committee.

Discussion Items –

- ❖ **“Keep Horry County Beautiful” – Christopher Klement, Senior Planner for Horry County, gave a powerpoint presentation on the Keep Horry County Beautiful litter index. The litter index is required to achieve certification as a formal chapter of Keep America Beautiful. Keep Horry County Beautiful is currently operating as a subcommittee of the Parks and Open Space Board. The county was split into sections and then stretches of roadways were randomly selected for conducting the litter index. Teams of volunteers surveyed the selected stretches of road and were rated 1-4 (best to worst). Christopher showed photos of examples and then showed ratings from the various areas. Overall, the county rated at level 2, although there were certain stretches of roadways that rated at level 3 or 4. The litter index should be conducted annually to assess the results of the organization’s activities. See attached.**

Tom Garigen distributed copies of the Horry County Code of Ordinances sections in regard to the illegal practices of littering and illegal dumping. *See attached.*

Mr. Garigen introduced Kendra Hooks, Recycling Coordinator, and Esther Murphy, Director of Recycling and Corporate Affairs, of the Horry County Solid Waste Authority. Ms. Hooks and Ms. Murphy gave a brief description of the Materials Recycling Facility and what its operations are. They presented brochure packets to the board members. Horry County has a 27% recycling rate, which is pretty high since recycling is not mandatory. The rate has steadily increased over the years. The SWA operates 24 recycling/convenience centers throughout the county. SWA staff conduct daily cleaning along an 8-mile stretch of Hwy 90 near the SWA facility and picked up~10,000 lbs this fiscal year.

Chairwoman Creel suggested that the board have the next stormwater advisory board meeting at Solid Waste Authority and tour the facility.

❖ **Open Discussion**

Chairwoman Creel opened up the floor for discussion on the importance of attending the advisory board meetings. She asked for input as to what is important to each member as a whole and what they feel is relevant and priority to the meetings. Board members discussed a variety of items.

End of Discussion Items

Mr. Garigen presented a certificate of appreciation to Bill Megert for his service and dedication to the advisory board.

Next meeting – July 26, 2011 at 3pm in Room D of the Government & Justice Center.

Chairwoman Creel thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 5:05pm.