



MINUTES

LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING

July 14, 2015

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Wayne McCall, Chairman, District II
Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV
Mr. Reg Dexter, District V

The Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health & Welfare Committee met at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Committee Members present, Administrator Scott Moulder and Elizabeth G. Hulse, Clerk to Council present.

Press: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [www.oconee.com/council]. In addition it was made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Member of the press present: Ray Chandler/Anderson Independent & Dick Mangrum/WGOG Radio.

Call to Order

Chairman McCall called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dexter, approved 3 – 0 to approve the April 14, 2015 minutes as presented.

Recycling Plan Presentation

Mr. Moulder began the presentation by highlighting the establishment of a recycling goal and staffs activity toward developing a plan along with the assistance of a consultant, Smith & Gardner. Mr. Moulder turned the presentation over to Smith & Gardner representatives; Ms. Joan A. Smyth, PG and Mr. Michael Brinchek, PE, who utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] highlighted the following key areas:

- Project Scope & Purpose
- Diversion vs. Reuse & Recycling
- Examining 85% Diversion & High Diversion Communities
- **OPTION Summary: Oconee County Current Recycle Rate: +/- 30%**
 - **Option #1: Existing System Optimization / Education**
Potential Recycling Increase of 2-5% Estimated Cost: \$50,000 - \$200,000
 - **Option #2: MW MRF [Mixed Waste Material Recovery Facility] Stream**
Potential Recycling Increase of 7-10% Estimated Cost: \$7,200,000 - \$7,800,000
 - **Option #3: MW MRF with Organics Recovery**
Potential Recycling Increase of 15-20% Estimated Cost: \$7,850,000 - \$8,750,000
 - **Option #4: MW MRF with Wet-Dry Separation**
Potential Recycling Increase of 25-30% Estimated Cost: \$8,600,000 - \$9,700,000
- MW MRF Financial Evaluation
 - Variables
 - Human Behavior Element
 - Cumulative Cost Assumptions & Cost of Options
- Conclusions & Path to High Diversion
- Financial Analysis Summary

Discussion followed regarding various aspects of the presentation including capital costs, commodity markets, previous plans, “pay as you throw”, relationships with municipalities, staffing, etc.

Mr. McCall asked Mr. C. W. Richards to address the Committee regarding his experience when he was in the paper business 20+ years ago. Mr. Richards noted what paper products were recyclable and options for each product.

Other Business:

Nuisance Property

Mr. Dexter addressed the Committee regarding his concerns with abandoned and/or dilapidated homes and properties in Oconee County.

Mr. Dexter made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 3 – 0 to recommend to full Council to direct the attorney to research and provide a legal opinion regarding a potential nuisance property ordinance.

Adjourn:

Mr. McCall adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council