

**MINUTES OF THE
GREENSBORO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
MAY 23, 2017**

Members Present

Mark Taylor, Chair
Brenton Boyce
Kay Brandon
Tony Davies
Bob Davis

Staff Present

Chris Marriott
Nancy Lindemeyer
Tori Carle

The Solid Waste Management Commission met on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. in the Field Operations Training Room. Mary Louise Smith and Godfrey Uzochukwu were excused from the meeting.

Mark Taylor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of minutes of February 28, 2017 meeting

The minutes were approved by acclamation.

Old Business

a. Staff Updates

Chris Marriott stated that the Cone Boulevard Extension Project is ahead of schedule – the street pavement is poured and the bridge is up. In response to a question from Mark Taylor, he stated that the new road will have sidewalks added later.

Chris stated that the Yard Waste Automated Cart Impact Study RFP is currently with MWBE for final review. In response to questions from Mark Taylor, Chris stated that the City Manager's office is open to the idea of yard waste automated carts, and that there is a 6½ year timeframe until the new carts pay for themselves.

Chris Marriott distributed a handout from Jenn Cooper with the Carolina Recycling Association, in response to the NC State Senate's budget proposal to eliminate the Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service (DEACS) from the Department of Environmental Quality. The handout encourages recycling supporters to contact NC State House members to request their support for DEACS.

b. Other old Business

Mark Taylor asked whether staff submitted the 2016 Annual Report to City Council and Chris stated he would confirm. Mark stated that he had attempted to contact Mayor Vaughan regarding clarification of the Council’s intent for the Solid Waste Management Commission’s purpose, but had not received a response.

2016 Recycling Education Impact

Tori Carle, Environmental Programs Specialist, provided an update and handout on the number and types of recycling community contacts. In 2016, 11,213 contacts were made through educational and plan programs and Special Events, and 6,284 contacts have been made in 2017. She stated that recycling contamination has gone from 20.9% in 2015 to 18%.

Looking ahead, she plans to improve and expand the recycling Mobile App, develop a Pre-K recycling unit for teachers for the coming school year, and assist with a website redesign for the City’s recycling information.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m. The next scheduled Commission meeting is Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 3 p.m. at the Field Operations Training Room, 401 Patton Avenue.

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Respectfully submitted,
Mark Taylor, Chair