Minutes

Take Palmetto Pride Where You Live Litter Commission
1411 Gervais Street
Columbia, SC 29201
In-Person and Videoconference Meeting
November 3, 2021 10:00 am

The bi-annual meeting of the Litter Commission was held in-person and by videoconference at 10:00 am, November 5, 2020. Notice of the date, time and location of the meeting was posted. Robert J. Boyles Jr. – SCDNR Director / Chairman presided meeting. Members present included Melissa Harrell – MASC, Capt. Clifton Hughes – SCDPS, Sarah Lyles – PalmettoPride, Tonnya Kohn – SC Court Administration, Jill McCain – SC Trucking Association, Jarrod Bruder – SC Sheriff's Association, SCDNR staff included Valerie Shannon.

Members Not in Attendance:

Ike Gray – SC Department of Corrections, Ted Creech – SC Department of Transportation, Deborah Parker – SC Pardon, Probation, Parole Mallory Coffee – Keep South Carolina Beautiful & John Wienges, Jr. – SC Association of Counties

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Boyles at 10:01 am. Todd Glover, Executive Director of MASC welcomed the group.

II. Approval of Minutes

The April 16th meeting minutes were approved by consent.

III. 2020 Legislative Report

Shannon explained the new reporting form and March 1st deadline; rough draft scheduled for August timeframe. Harrill asked if any new legislation would be recommended by the Commission and suggested that we review <u>\$423</u>. Harrill indicated a new survey will be conducted by MASC to all 271 municipalities to determine hotspots.

IV. Ad hoc Committee Reports

Lyles discussed the key points of the meeting and who attended: Creech, Wienges, and Harrill. The committee will be focusing on improving data collection for PalmettoPride and will be rolling out a pilot plan to track what's working and any progress that is made; consultants will be brought in to help with enforcement and help determine pilot locations for trash reduction. The goal is to identify three or four counties with troubled locations to track for progress.

Bruder asked is the \$8M earmarked funds for litter removal for DOT was reoccurring; Boyles asked if Creech could provide a summary of the plan for the \$8M and the nonrecurring amount and welcomed Ted Creech to the Commission.

V. Time and Location of next meeting

The next meeting has been tentatively scheduled for March 1, 2022 at 10:00; location TBD

VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am