

Monroe County Climate Change Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes August 22, 2017

BOCC Meeting Room

Marathon Government Center

Marathon, FL 33050,

12:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



- I. Approve agenda and meeting minutes from June
 - a. Agenda Vicki/Lisa, Minutes Perry/Vicki – Approved
- II. Public comment (none)
- III. Updates
 - a. Overall Solar Resolution
 - II> Draft to be presented in Sept. with PACE- to include reference to GreenKeys feasibility for existing buildings, Erin recommended an update to the FGBC resolution to expand the certifications allowed including FORTIFY for resiliency she added that the school district and water district have to comply as well with certification. Discussion of making sure to include language which represents the climate mitigation through solar projects and Rhonda will make a presentation about it with PACE. Committee voted to approve a solar resolution developed by Alicia and Rhonda to include language such as- “The BOCC approves adoption of solar energy systems for climate mitigation where feasible on county facilities for climate change mitigation including GHG and energy reduction.
*To meet GHG targets *align with the efforts of SE FL Climate Compact partners
 1. On new construction and retrofits
 2. On existing facilities
 - III> The resolution will reference Comp Plan 1502.1.3, GreenKeys, and MCAP section R1.3
 - b. MC Solid Waste- RFP was issued for composting; a significant % of SW is going to a landfill. The city of KW has a SW master plan but MC doesn’t. MC is only 2 years in to a 10 year contract. Members should have conversations with their elected officials about this. Possible recommendation by the CCAC in OCT.
 - c. MCAP review- SAP and/or MCAP update- group agreed to review the MCAP for items that were completed, moved to the SAP- 5 year work plan and actions which are still standing.
 - II> Discuss further rolling the MCAP into the Sustainability Action Plan, Michelle and Vicki developed responses on the update, we will use Michelle’s spread sheet to fill in updated information. Michael suggested we update the GHG info, inventories and targets (Alicia will complete by Oct.) He suggested that we include references to the Green Keys SAP. The group will identify items in the SAP and note those in the MCAP update. We will use the SAP to identify new items. We will report on complete or incomplete short and medium term goals. Alicia will send spread sheet to members. Natalia suggested we include food systems and health targets.
 - d. New members – Natalia Duke was introduced, Pedro will review Sunshine and Lisa will notarize when both new members are present.

- e. Energy Manager Recommendation – A draft resolution will be written to include an Energy Plan and position to implement the plan. Including SAP- 5year plan items which will fit in an energy plan. The CCAC recommend an informal discussion with Kevin Wilson to see about using a % FTE of a current employee to work on energy. If not CCAC will draft a resolution to recommend to BOCC. ESG and TRANE has approached the county with specific project they would like to implement and are waiting to get a “sit down” with administration and staff. **CCAC will review progress in Oct.**
 - f. PACE update- first presentation on Sept 20th, to additional meeting will be held before a vote for adoption.
 - g. Green Business Certification Update, possible speaker Alicia and City of KW will be co-branding a Green Business Handbook for distribution through the Upper, Middle and Lower Keys Action Networks to local businesses.
 - h. The SE FL Climate Summit registration is open Dec 14-15 and the fee is \$125 till Sept. 30th.
- IV. BOCC approval to renew (Sept- Board), Annual update Alicia will put renewal on the Sept. 20th meeting and **draft for review an annual update to be put before the BOCC in Oct.**
- V. Civic engagement- Perry
- a. Two local groups may be helpful in community engagement; the Lower Keys Action Network (Bill Hunter) and the Keys Alliance group (keysalliance.org). They are both active in online educational content including Facebook and other media. The CCAC should consider a section in the communication plan about using technology in engagement.
 - b. History above water (historyabovewater.org) is having a Alternatives for Coastal Communities Confrence this fall in coordination with the National Park Service to be held in Annapolis.
 - c. Another good resource is the book “Draw Down” by Hawkin. We can use this information to develop ranking strategies for GHG reduction based on how effective the strategy is. Bob suggested that we collect a reading list for use on the website and internally. **Alicia will start to compile recommendations.**
- VI. Communications Plan – Bob
- a. Timeline for approval- development help
 - b. Alicia will resend the current Com Plan, Vicki will address ICLEI recommendation within the plan and all members will recommit to their original tasks-
- VII. New Business
- a. LIDAR contract on Sept 20th, Rhonda will work with BOB to see if Natural Areas can be an optional add-on

Appointed Members:

Bob Glazer (Chair) Y	Jerry W. Lieberman N	Shirley Gun N
Michelle Robinson Y	Ed Russo N	Natalia Duke Y
Lisa Kaul Y	Perry Johnston Y	
Vicki Boguszewski Y (Vice Chair)	Michael Larson Y	

Advisory members; TJ Patterson, Julie Cheon, Alison Higgins-Y

Staff / Office:

Commissioner Carruthers / BOCC Liaison N
 Alicia Betancourt / Extension Service- Staff Liaison Y
 Rhonda Haag / Sustainable Program Manager Y

Pedro Mercado / County Attorney Y
Michael Roberts / Growth Management N

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