

Monroe County Climate Change Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes January 20th, 2015

2798 Overseas Highway

Marathon Government Center

Second Floor

Marathon, FL 33050,

12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.



- I. (12:30- 12:35) Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda and Dec. 15th Minutes –Bob
 - a. Agenda Approved Lisa/Vicki with changes
 - b. Minutes approved Chris/Vicki

- II. (12:35- 12:40) Public Comment
 - a. None

- III. (12:40-1:20) Upcoming Speakers for Speaker Series- (develop a speaker list and first few dates, marketing strategy (earlier the better- D.A., cost of marketing material, and decide on times (lunch and learn or at night)
 - a. Bob suggested a section of each topic such as science and practical application
 - b. Perry said that the core objectives (priorities) need to be tied to each invited speaker
 - II> All agreement
 - c. Bob suggested we investigate having a program associated with the series
 - d. Chris would like to find out how many “clicks” we got for his video to see if the outreach is working. **Alicia will follow up** and also send the list of potential speakers.
 - e. Vicki suggested we give/assign the speakers one of the priority areas as a platform for engagement which will bridge what the community issues are with what the speakers experience is.
 - f. Michelle suggested that we relate the speakers/topics to what issues we are working on. Chris, Bob and Lisa agree and we should back up the topics with research.
 - g. Chris suggested that we consider a research agenda and get staff feedback similar to Miami-Dade.
 - h. D.A. shared via email that the glossy postcards done for the Key Largo speaker series were about \$250.
 - i. Alicia will see about getting administration to promote employees attending and look into CEU certifications.
 - j. Members developed a draft timeline for subjects;
 - II> March- Climate Action Plan
 - III> April- Data and Modeling; Fl. Climate Center, NOAA, USGS panel.
 - IV> May- Storm surge and SLR;
 - V> June/July; GreenKeys final report
 - k. Perry outlined a way of approaching the stages of learning for the speaker series moving from physical impacts, to 2nd impacts to the natural environment, 3rd impacts to economy and quality of life and finally policy impacts including protect, accommodate retreat.
 - l. Bob would add one more column at the beginning that included the different scenarios.
 - m. Lisa reminded the members that Erin and Rhonda will be doing outreach in the middle and lower keys as part of GreenKeys so we do not want to duplicate.

- IV. (1:20-1:50) Resolution on Gasification Update- Alicia
 - a. Alicia outlines the final resolution on gasification of yard waste. Topic held till after discussion of alternative offer.
- V. (1:50-3:00) Priority Planning Effort- Bob (5 CCAC Priorities)
 - a. Discussed priority 1, education effort as part of the speaker series discussion.
- VI. (3:00-3:10) Break
- VII. Discussion of WM offer for yard waste disposal
 - a. Heard from Rhonda about the offer proposed by Waste management to cut cost for interim yard waste processing and bring to the Monarch Landfill in Broward County. Members chose to revise the resolution on gasification to include a recommendation excluding use of a landfill facility. Language adopted unanimously, see attached resolution.
- VIII. (3:10-3:30) Comp Plan update – Michael Roberts
 - a. Held till next month
- IX. (3:30- 3:55) Speaker presentation: Monroe County Climate Action Plan, Alicia Betancourt
 - a. Held till next month
- X. (3:55 – 4:00) New Business
 - a. Vicki shared the update on the Health Adaptations Project as well as some grant information that might include DEO funding for AAA’s . She will send out a link.
 - b. Michelle shared the results of her and D.A.’s investigation into the gasification of landfill waste and mining landfills. There are two projects and several reports that she looked at. Escambia County and Naples seem to have similar programs. In Escambia County they had an odor issue which was mitigated by mining during the winter months. Hazardous waste is separated during the mining process including methane. Members questioned how this was done. Some issues include; dust, water use and storm water runoff. Recommendations for further investigation include contacting USF experts and site visits.
 - c. Chris shared the new Miami-Dade resolutions that move the climate issues and adaptation forward to the County Commission. Alicia suggested we would like to have the resolutions in word format so the CCAC may be able to move forward a packet of resolutions. Chris will check into getting that.

Appointed Members Present:

Bob Glazer (Chair)
 Michelle Robinson
 D.A. Aldridge
 Lisa Kaul

Vicki Boguszewski
 (Vice Chair)
 Perry Johnston

Chris Bergh

Members Absent:

Ed Russo

Staff / Office Present:

Alicia Betancourt / Extension Service- Staff Liaison

Staff / Office Absent:

Commissioner Carruthers / BOCC Liaison

Rhonda Haag / Sustainable Program Manager

Nat Cassel / County Attorney

Michael Roberts / Growth Management

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