

Monroe County Climate Change Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes March 9th , 2015

2798 Overseas Highway

Marathon Government Center

Second Floor

Marathon, FL 33050,

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.



- I. Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda and Dec. 15th Minutes –Bob
 - a. Approved with changes Lisa/Michelle

- II. Public Comment
 - a. None

- III. Discussion of Letter to Congress- Perry
 - a. Perry shared an online letter to congress, members approved a resolution asking the BOCC to sign and pending Nat review the members approved the CCAC signing the letter. To be done by Bob.

- IV. Discussion of Appointments that need to be filled.
 - a. Alicia outlined the vacant position, the CCAC will sunset in Oct 2015 and Chris stated that we should ask for continuance and some more formal direction from the BOCC such as oversight to the Monroe County Sustainability Action Plan, the group agreed. The group also agreed to return to alternating workshop/ board meetings. We will explore the process for attending the workshops remotely. Commissioner Carruthers will explore the ability to attend and vote at board meetings remotely. Alicia will draft a letter to commissioners to remind them of their empty appointments. Members will also speak to their commissioners.
 - b. We had a discussion about scheduling to reduce to 1 voting meeting every 2 months. The other month would be broadcast using an online service so that members could participate remotely.

- V. New Coastal Defense tool- Chris
 - a. Chris outlined the new Coastal Defense tool for the members.

- VI. Break

- VII. Comp Plan update – Michael Roberts
 - a. Mr. Roberts did not attend but sent a note saying that the plan had been transmitted to the state.

- VIII. Upcoming Canal meetings- Rhonda
 - a. Rhonda shared the current canal efforts and outreach meetings. She shared that the SLR meetings will be held in April/May. These will be community meetings for Stock Island and Big Pine Key.

- IX. STAR Community index- Alicia

- a. Alicia and Rhonda shared the STAR index and outlined what types of material including what actions from the MCAP we are likely to find in the STAR index. Two upcoming meetings April and May, the CCAC will have STAR index presentations from Erin Deady. She has asked the group to participate in the final rankings of the STAR index priorities which will be presented along with the final Sustainability Action Plan in June/July.
- X. Members share info about initiatives- All
- a. Bob shared that FWC held a meeting to partner with Monroe County on protection and is interested in a MOA which could possibly include invasive species.
- XI. Draft resolution to encourage climate and SLR in budget process
- a. Chris presented a draft resolution for consideration, group made changes and discussed the timeliness of asking the BOCC to consider climate and SLR adaptation and projects within the budget process. This will allow the sustainability office, the CCAC and others to understand which projects that receive funding also address climate issues. The resolution was passes, unanimously with changes. (See attachment) Alicia will finalize and put on the BOCC agenda for April and possibly at the budget meetings in April and May.
- XII. Speaker presentation: Monroe County Climate Action Plan, Alicia Betancourt
- a. Alicia outlines the Monroe County Climate Action Plan including which projects have been started. The presentation was recorded for future placement on the Monroe County website.
- XIII. New Business
- a. Discuss a strategic planning retreat for the next meeting.

Appointed Members:

Bob Glazer (Chair)	Vicki Boguszewski	Chris Bergh
Michelle Robinson	(Vice Chair)	
D.A. Aldridge	Ed Russo	
Lisa Kaul	Perry Johnston	

Staff / Office:

Commissioner Carruthers / BOCC Liaison
 Alicia Betancourt / Extension Service- Staff Liaison
 Rhonda Haag / Sustainable Program Manager
 Nat Cassel / County Attorney
 Michael Roberts / Growth Management

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