

# Monroe County Climate Change Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes April 4th, 2016

2798 Overseas Highway

Marathon Government Center

Second Floor

Marathon, FL 33050,

12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.



- I. Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda and March 7th Minutes –Approved with additions Vicki/Lisa
- II. Public Comment - None
- III. Discuss Impact and Process for Letters of Recommendation
  - a. E-3 support (submitted)

Michelle updated the group on the BOCC discussion and vote- contract approved 4/1 Discussion; Ed suggested that we are primarily interested in making sure we are disposing of waste in the most environmentally sensitive way possible including carbon emissions.  
**Suggestion; the CCAC should follow the yearly emission and environmental reporting**
  - b. LIDAR data support- (sent to HC for submission, CC Rhonda)

Bob suggested that the Fish and Wildlife Service might want to piggyback on the effort to provide data to the natural areas not accessed by a road in order to fulfil their mission of modeling and habitat/species protection. Vicki suggested a letter to purse/support.

**Action; the current LIDAR support letter will be strengthened to include recommendation to ask FWS to provide coverage for natural areas (Alicia by 6/16)**

**Action; the CCAC will develop a letter of support draft to the FWS Peninsular, Florida Landscape Conservation Program which asks for Lidar coverage for natural areas and offers opportunity to collaboration and matching funds with Monroe County (Alicia by 6/16)**

**Action: amend the current support letter to include support for contract language which produces a user friendly product that can be accessed by the public. (Alicia)**

**Action; Invite new superintendent of Key Deer Refuge Dan Clark. (Bob- Alison)**

FDOT- US1 artery support (sent to HC for submission)

Members decided to move this item forward by asking HC to move to commission.

TDC, Chambers and business community should be asked to support and do outreach to state FDOT. Ed suggested we look at the letter and use the strongest terms possible as this is a critical issue. Bob added that risk management should be highlighted as a priority.

- c. Update to Storm-water Master Plan (held for input from planning)

**Action; invite Judy Clark to join group to speak about roads and storm water and the need to address SLR in stormwater planning(Alicia)**

Bob suggested that areas where stormwater is an issue could be an AAA. Discussion about the need to address SLR in stormwater planning.

IV. Break 2:00-2:05

V. Adaptation Action Areas-

a. Review suggested criteria, develop and finalize suggestions

Steve presented polling tallies including standard deviation. Discussion; public vs. private infrastructure, value of assets.

**Action; include “infrastructure of public concern” – Completed**

Michael contributed an alternate order; infrastructure, Health, Environmental Impacts, Economic Impacts- adopted and reflected in tallies.

**Action; Develop glossary to include defined terms such as critical infrastructure (Michelle)**

**Action; Letter to be included in packet of AAA material to be given to staff which will explain process, inclusions and exclusions (Vicki)**

**Motion; The CCAC approves the criteria list and categories for inclusion in the AAA packet, as displayed by Steve (see attached)**

b. Two scoring criteria lists

**Action; CCAC agreed to pull out 11-14 and highlight them as additional consideration in the language of the letter or packet (not the list) Alicia**

**Action; set up google doc. with draft packet, send to CCAC to edit. Alicia- ALL**

VI. New Business

a. (Michael) Carbon Neutral communities- Monroe County Should be encouraged to become carbon neutral

Perry points out the MCAP calls for 1- encourage residents and 2- lead by example on climate issues. Alicia gave GHG update and expected recommendation for GHG reduction 40% by 2030 from 2012 baseline. Ed suggested the county is in a unique position for education, although not a major global contributor. The # of visitors gives the county an opportunity to provide leadership through education. Chris suggested that we look to update the plan along with the SAP, 5 year sustainability action plan.

**Action; look over the Climate Action Plan <http://fl-monroecounty.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/5381>**

**And the priorities developed in 2015 and come ready to discuss in May. All**

**Action; set a date to invite PIO and TDC green travel at upcoming meeting to discuss education campaign. (Alison)**

**Action; work on getting climate link fixed and climate issues on main Monroe County page (contact Cammy?) Alicia**

Appointed Members:

Bob Glazer (Chair)  
Michelle Robinson  
Lisa Kaul  
Vicki Boguszewski  
(Vice Chair)

Ed Russo  
Perry Johnston  
Chris Bergh  
Steve Wainstead  
Matt Anderson (Absent)

Michael Larson  
Shirley Gun (Absent)

Advisory members; TJ Patterson, Julie Cheon, Alison Higgins

Staff / Office:

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

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