

**Climate Change Task Force Meeting
Monday, August 19, 2019
12:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Government Center Room 430
115 S. Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301**

SUMMARY MINUTES

Members Present

Co-chair: Senator Rich
Co-chair: Commissioner Furr
Bartleman, Robin
Bush, Lois
Carballo, Isabel Cosio
Cavros, George
Forbes, Sasha
Gottlieb, Lee
Heimlich, Barry
Kaltman, Adrienne
Kaufer, Ilan
Keys, Kelly
Kornahrens, Robert
Commissioner Lonergan
Polsky, Colin
Rotolo, Chris
Commissioner Shuham
Sniezek, Henry
Vice Mayor Welch

Members Absent

Sifuentes, Dorothy

- I. Welcome**
Senator Rich and Commissioner Furr welcomed the members of the task force.
- II. Roll Call**
Roll was called. Nineteen members were present and one was absent. A quorum was present.
- III. Call to Order**
Commissioner Furr called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM.
- IV. Approval of Minutes of May 16, 2019**

A motion was made, approved by Commissioner Lonergan, seconded by Commissioner Shuham, and passed to accept the minutes of the May 16, 2019 meeting.

V. Announcements

- a. Senator Rich discusses the Tel Aviv Museum climate change display and the countries using waves to create electricity.
- b. Dr. Polsky announced how Florida Atlantic University hosts the Southeast National Marine Renewable Energy Center, which is dedicated to harnessing wave energy. He also mentioned FAU is one of the only entities to own a section of sea floor for scientific purposes.
- c. Commissioner Furr announced that the FICA item is on the Commission agenda for August 20 and the Carbon Tax item is in legal review.
- d. Senator Rich discussed the NextEra energy map and how Florida has one of the lowest energy efficiency goals in the Country.

VI. Task Force Member Updates on CCAP Action Items

- a. None.

VII. Subcommittee Updates:

Henry Sniezek: EV subcommittee created and distributed a municipal survey to gather information about climate resiliency planning in cities and EV charging station information. Lois Bush added that the subcommittee was also working to create presentations for the group in the future. Ilan Kaufer offered to help coordinate future guest speakers.

Sasha Forbes: Social Equity subcommittee set the foundation for what they want to talk about with equity and equality, and distributed a definitions handout. They would like to work with other subcommittees and continue to include their message in everything the Task Force does. Commissioner Furr requested energy affordability to be a focus.

Commissioner Shuham: The City Collaboration subcommittee created a distribution list and directed municipalities to sites where to CCTF information can be found. An initial objective was set to create a space for cities to share information and input with each other and with the Task Force. Commissioner Furr asked to find the resiliency contact for each municipality.

Presentations and Discussion Items

a. Development in Flood Prone Areas

- i. Katie Lelis, GISP, EPCRD, presented on County-wide trends with flooding and development across Broward County.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of this information and how beneficial it would be for more groups to see this presentation, or an education campaign for the public.

- iii. Commissioner Lonergan shared that the City of Oakland Park has electronic water meters where citizens can go online and view how much water they are using every hour. Mayor Welch explained how Coconut Creek is moving towards electronic water meters soon as well.

b. Equity in Climate Resilience

- i. Dr. Kilan-Bishop, Miami Climate Alliance, and Nancy Metayer, Climate Justice Program Manager, presented on equity in climate resilience. This presentation showed examples from Miami-Dade and recommendations for Broward County.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding how the City of Hollywood looked census tract by census tract with homesteaded and non-homesteaded properties, and how this could be continued throughout the County.
- iii. The importance of multifamily units for renters within Broward County was highlighted, with mixed income options. Discussion ensued regarding the Liberty City community slide from the presentation, and how the area was rebuilt for mixed-used, multi-income units.
- iv. George Cavros introduced a Sun Sentinel article written about energy burdens and discussed how high this burden is in Broward County. Ilan Kaufer explained how FPL studies the cost effectiveness of their programs.

c. Preliminary Review of South Atlantic Coastal Study Data

- i. Dr. Samantha Danchuk, Assistant Director, EPCRD, shared the preliminary review of the USACE South Atlantic Coastal Study which spans from North Carolina to Mississippi. Dr. Danchuk explained the different indexes and showed how risks in Broward County were weighted.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of food supply and continuity of business and how this could be included in the critical infrastructure dataset.

d. Energy and Sustainability Program Update

- i. Dr. Samantha Danchuk, Assistant Director, EPCRD, shared program updates from the Energy and Sustainability Program, with an emphasis on electric vehicles and infrastructure, PACE, and FEMA flood classes.

e. Legislative Update

- i. Jason Liechty, Senior Environmental Project Coordinator, EPCRD, presented a legislative update including relevant proposals and relevant bills.

f. SE Florida Regional Climate Change Compact Update

- i. Dr. Jennifer Jurado, Director and Chief Resilience Officer, EPCRD,

presented an update on the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact, with an emphasis on the upcoming EV infrastructure workshop, the VW Beneficiary Mitigation Plan, and resilience advocacy and action items.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:37 PM.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 21, 2019, 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM.