

Mendocino County Climate Action Advisory Committee
July 17th 1:00 - 4:00pm PT Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by the Chair.

- **Present:** Jennifer Mayne, Susan Sher, Shai Larsen, Marie Jones, Ellen Drell, Michael Potts, Cathy Monroe, John Nickerson, Patrick Hentschel, Javier Silva, Mac Lojowsky, Walter Smith
- **Absent:** Tess Albin-Smith

II. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- Question from Richard Hubacek on focus groups, specifically transportation.

III. Climate Action Committee Introductions, Review of Agenda, and Consider Approval of Minutes from the May 15th MCCAC (see Attachment Item 1).

- Michael Potts moved to approve the May 15, 2020 meeting minutes as written. Ellen Drell seconded the motion. All in favor, no opposed. The minutes from the May 15, 2020 MCCAAC were approved unanimously.

IV. Receive Report and Consider Possible Action on Climate Change Baseline Analysis (Committee presentation) (See Attachment Item 2)

- Cathy Monroe and John Nickerson presented. Cathy reviewed the Baseline Committee update, and John discussed the cost estimate, Urban Forest Inventory and related next steps. Ellen Drell asked about Appendix A referenced in the report. Per John Nickerson, this is to come.
- Marie Jones asked meeting participant Supervisor Williams about the possibility of the MCCAAC bringing a grant to the Board of Supervisors for a work program, and whether the County would provide a staff person to help with the request for proposal. Ted agreed this would be in line with the Committee's mission and expressed how influential the MCCAAC's feedback on the Senate Bill 844 Jail Expansion Project analysis was.

V. Receive Brief (10 minute each) Presentation from each Ad Hoc Committee Regarding Proposed Work Plan and Activities to Date. Presented by Ad Hoc Committee Chairs Michael Potts, Walter Smith, and Susan Sher

- Michael Potts presented. Supervisors Gjerde and Williams asked the MCCAAC to review the assessment of the *Energy Analysis of Mechanical System Alternates* for the Senate Bill 844 Jail Expansion Project. Michael worked with Mac Lojowsky, and in-county experts Brian Corzilius and Mel Grandi on the analysis and submitted it to the Board.

VI. Receive Brief Presentation and Discuss any final revisions to the First Recommendation Action Items (See Attachment Item 3)

- The Coastal Ad Hoc Committee of the MCCAAC finalized the First Policy Recommendation Document. Marie Jones presented and opened the floor for questions. Walter Smith inquired about permitting and regulatory efficiency. Mac Lojowsky asked about the Coastal Commission's permitting authority within the County of Mendocino. Marie provided examples and clarity.

- Patrick Hentschel moved that the MCCAAC put the First Policy Recommendation Document forward to the Board of Supervisors. Jennifer Mayne seconded. All in favor, no opposed. The motion passes unanimously.

VII. Discussion of Board of Supervisors Climate Resolution

- Michael Potts discussed an email the MCCAAC received from Supervisor Williams regarding the word “emergency” in the title of the Resolution and whether it meant we were asking for emergency powers. The Climate Resolution will be on the consent agenda for the Board of Supervisor meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2020. Supervisor Williams suggested filling out a speaker card before the meeting and having one representative from the MCCAAC available. Susan Sher volunteered.
- Shai Larsen asked about next steps should the Climate Resolution pass at Tuesday’s Board of Supervisors meeting. Shai Larsen, Marie Jones, Michael Potts and Susan Sher were authorized to draft communications about the Resolution and circulate it to the Committee for approval via email. Shai Larsen will coordinate with the County regarding including Climate Resolution information on its website.
- Lana Cohen, reporter for KZYX and the Mendocino Voice, is following the Committee’s work and will follow up with Marie Jones. Patrick Hentschel and Susan Sher to coordinate offline regarding an upcoming interview opportunity.

VIII. Discussion of and possible formation of a Public Education Ad Hoc Committee (Cathy Monroe).

- Cathy Monroe presented her interest in forming a Public Education Ad Hoc Committee. The Committee discussed this suggestion and the MCCAAC’s mandate as it relates to public education.
- Marie Jones appointed Cathy Monroe, Susan Sher and Jennifer Mayne to the MCCAAC Education and Outreach Ad Hoc Committee. The committee members will define its mandate and actions and report back to the larger group.
- Public comment from Wade Gray. Wade would like to participate on the Ad Hoc Committee and will send his contact information to Marie.

IX. Discuss possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting and Provide Direction to the Chair (Action).

- Marie Jones asked members of the MCCAAC to send agenda items for the next meeting via email.
- Marie suggested adding a standing agenda item “Communicate Out” at the end of every meeting where the Committee discusses how it wants to communicate our work.

X. Consider Identification of a Meeting Date for September (Action).

- The next meeting has been scheduled for Friday, September 18 @ 3-5pm PT.

XI. Meeting adjourned.