

**CITY OF COCOA BEACH
SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE AGENDA
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday January 3, 2024, 6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Bob Day, Waylon Locklear, Keith Capizzi, Jamie Glasner

Members Absent: Adria Perez

Staff Present: Kelsey Mack

Commission Members Present: none.

Visitors Present: 2

A. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Day called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

Approval of temporary appointment of Bob Day to Chair meeting: Mr. Glasner motioned to approve the temporary appointment of Bob Day to chair the meeting in the absence of the elected chairman and vacancy of vice chair. Mr. Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of December 6, 2023 meeting minutes: Mr. Capizzi motioned to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Locklear. The minutes were approved unanimously.

B. STAFF UPDATES: Ms. Mack provided an update about upcoming environmental events, announcing a rain barrel workshop, sea oat planting and Christmas light recycling program.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

2023 Sustainability Plan Updates: The committee reviewed the results of the community sustainability survey collected at Cocoa Beach Winter Fest and online. Mr. Locklear noted that lagoon related activities seem to have a lot of public interest. The committee discussed survey items that had high interest and those that seem to have less interest. The committee agreed to independently review the survey results and rank topics in high, middle and low interest. This will be discussed further at the next meeting. The committee also reviewed written comments provided by Ms. Perez regarding the outline for the sustainability plan update. The committee agreed that Ms. Perez's suggestions should be included in the next draft of the outline. The committee requested that staff make these changes prior to the next meeting.

Community Sustainability Award: The committee reviewed the updated guidelines packet provided by Mr. Day. The committee had no further comments regarding updating the guidelines. Mr. Locklear motioned to accept the 2024 Community Sustainability Awards packet. The motion was seconded by Mr. Glasner. The motion passed unanimously.

Smoking on the Beach: Mr. Day provided a recap of where the committee stands with discussions regarding smoking on the beach. Mr. Day noted that members of the committee have differing views regarding this topic, and he agrees that if the committee does not come to a unanimous consensus that recommendations should not be made to the commission. The committee discussed alternatives to a smoking ban, including cigarette butt disposal bins. The committee requested that staff gather more information on the possibility of installing cigarette butt disposal containers at all public beach access locations. Mr. Locklear motioned to table the conversation about banning smoking on public beaches indefinitely. The motion was second by Mr. Capizzi. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Ms. Mary Faller made a public comment supporting the committee decision to table the conversations about banning smoking on the beach.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of 2023 end of year report: Mr. Glasner motioned to approve the 2023 end of year report. The motion was second by Mr. Locklear. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Sustainability Committee Guidelines: Mr. Glasner motioned to approve the 2023 end of year report. The motion was second by Mr. Capizzi. The motion passed unanimously.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair: Ms. Perez submitted written comments nominating Mr. Day to serve as chair for the Sustainability Committee. Mr. Day respectfully declined the nomination. The committee agreed to move the election of Chair and Vice chair to the February meeting.

E. COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT: All members of the public wishing to make comments were accommodated under agenda item: smoking on the beach.

G. **ADJOURNMENT:** The next tentative meeting is scheduled for 2/7/2024, at 6:30 P.M. No other items were discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

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Environmental Specialist, Kelsey Mack

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Committee Chair,

_____ Date _____
Committee Vice Chair,