

MEETING MINUTES CAPITOLA COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Wednesday, March 25, 2015 – 6:00 P.M. City Community Room 420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola CA

Steve Jesberg called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Members present: Jacques Bertrand, Amie Forest, Kristin Sullivan, Peter Wilk

City Staff Present: Steve Jesberg, Danielle Uharriet

Community Members Present: Sara Stith, Marina Cerin-Stith

2. WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kristin Sullivan made a motion to approve the January 28, 2015 meeting minutes. Amie Forest seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0, Jacques Bertrand abstained.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair
 Amie Forest was nominated as Chair and declined.
 Kristin Sullivan was unanimously elected chair (Bertrand/Forest)
 Peter Wilk was unanimously elected vice-chair (Sullivan/Forest)

b. Draft Climate Action Plan

Staff requested the COE to review the draft Climate Action Plan (CAP) and provide comments at the next regular meeting. Following review by the COE, staff will make necessary revisions and then present the report to the Planning Commission and City Council before initiating public review. Staff suggested that the COE hold a special workshop before the April 22nd meeting to thoroughly review and comment on the CAP. Rich Grunow, Community Development Director and, the CAP consultant will be available to respond to the COE comments and questions.

Peter Wilk suggested that there be an executive summary that sets forth the overall goals of the CAP. He clarified that staff is looking for the COE to review, and accept the CAP as proposed. Jacques Bertrand concurred with Peter Wilk, stating that a summary would be a benefit for the public. Kristin Sullivan emphasized that the CAP should include targets and timelines to accomplish the tasks set forth in the CAP. The COE can then take tasks from the CAP to develop a work plan for implementation of the CAP.

The COE discussed the need to use the Green Economy study that was prepared for the General Plan Update to further develop an implementable work program.

Jacques Bertrand stated that Daniel Kostelec has been discussing bike issues in Capitola with each councilmember. He suggested that the Commission invite Daniel to give the COE the same bike presentation.

5. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

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6. ADJOURNMENT: The commission adjourned to a Special Workshop Meeting on Monday, April 6, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room, 420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, California.

Approved at the meeting of April 22, 2015

Danielle Uharriet

Environmental Projects Manager