

**MINUTES**  
**Commission on the Environment**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**August 22, 2018**

Cathlin Atchison called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioners Present: Cathlin Atchison, Jacques Bertrand, Peter Wilk

Commissioners Absent: Megan Sixt, Bella Hammond

City Staff Present: Steve Jesberg, Kailash Mozumder

Community Members Present: Michael Saint, Bob Kibrick, Mary Nelson, Denna Ramos, Maryruth Priebe

**WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - None**

**PRESENTATION** – Several members of the Citizen’s Climate Lobby made a presentation on their goals and programs to reduce the use of fossil fuels and encourage renewable energy. The primary focus of the lobby is the implementation of a nationwide carbon tax and dividend program. They are requesting resolutions of support from cities in the area. The CCL representatives answered a few questions from the commission.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair was continued until all seats on the commission have been filled. Vice-Chair Atchison agreed to continue to be acting Chair until the election.
2. The minutes of January 23, 2018 were approved
3. 2018 Work Items
  - a. Native Milkweed Campaign – Cathlin Atchison led a short discussion on the matter and showed an information sheet she had developed. It was agreed that she would forward the sheet on to staff for review with the goal to post it on the Environmentally Sustainable Living in Capitola pages on the City’s web site and make a handout for distribution.
  - b. Litter Signage – Steve Jesberg gave a short recap of what efforts were completed this summer. Pack Your Trash was stenciled on the entrances to the beach and signage on trash cans was placed. Both of these items were well received. Permanent signs were ordered and will be placed on cans this fall. The stenciling was less effective because the message was continually covered by sand. Staff is looking at additional places to add the stenciling on the seawall so that it doesn’t get covered.
  - c. Peery Park – Kailash Mozumder gave an update on the project. George McMenamin is scheduled to bring in a crew to complete the ivy removal along the creek in September. A permit from Fish and Wildlife was required and has been obtained. It required a rat and nesting bird survey which Kailash has completed. Discussion ensued about next steps and it was agreed to further discuss the project and possibly expanding it to the Rispin property.
  - d. Central Coast Climate Collaborative – Jacques Bertrand gave a short update on the 4C’s and the availability of an information sheet on the 4C website for agencies needing to complete a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP). Steve Jesberg updated the commission on the status of the City’s LHMP. Jacques indicated that he was going to attend a California Adaptation Forum in Sacramento next week. He will report back at the next commission meeting.

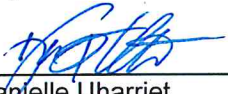
### ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Cathlin informed the commission that she would not be able to attend the September meeting. It was agreed by the commissioners to cancel the September meeting and hold the next regular meeting on October 24 in lieu of the scheduled workshop.

- Peery Park update
- 4C's update
- Milkweed update

**ADJOURNMENT** to a Regular meeting on October 24, 2018

Approved at the meeting of October 24, 2018



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