



ALACHUA COUNTY Citizen Climate Advisory Committee

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Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2023
Grace Knight Conference Room
12 SE 1st Street, Second Floor
Gainesville, Florida 32601

1. Call to Order – Attendance and Determination of Quorum – the meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Jennison Kipp Searcy. There was not an in-person quorum for the meeting.
Members: In person - James Fulton, Jennison Kipp Searcy, Danielle Cucchiara, and Nathan Fox (on zoom: Terry Harpold, Jackie Davis, and Adam Despang) (Absent: John Nix and Carly Muir)
Staff: Stephen Hofstetter (ACEPD), Eric Walters (GRU), Dan Zhu (City of Gainesville), Jennie Ford (City of Gainesville), Betsy Riley (AC SEEDS), and Mike Castine (ACGM)
Guests: Bob Tancig, Quoc Pham, Ellen Siegel, David Moritz, and Kali Blount
2. Approval of Agenda – no changes proposed by committee.
3. Approval of Minutes: February 20, 2023 – Lack of Quorum. But no changes proposed to the minutes.
4. Continued discussion of CCAC member tasks and responsibilities.
5. Betsy gave an update on the current status of the planning for the June 2 Climate event.
6. Jackie Davis provided an update that the NAACP Climate Summit Event originally planned for May 27th has been postponed to the fall.
7. Staff Updates:
 - a. Stephen Hofstetter – Alachua County staff liaison reminded the committee of upcoming meetings
 - b. Dan Zhu, Chief Climate Officer for the city stated that the city is in the process of gathering data and selecting a website platform for carbon tracking.
 - c. Eric Walters - GRU staff liaison provided an update on the steering committees and stakeholder advisory committee for the GRU Integrated Resource Plan (IRC) and current grant applications.

8. Next Regular meeting is on May 15, 2023. Possible items may include:
 - a. Planning for June 2 climate fair
 - b. Discussion of platform options
9. Meeting Recap & Action Items:
 - a. CCAC members agreed to follow up on their contact lists
 - b. Dani will create a spreadsheet to track and keep updated the Climate Fair participation contacts list
 - c. Steve and Betsy will be sending out another press release in the mid May to advertise the event
10. Public Comment – No public comment.
11. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM