



County of Santa Cruz

COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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MINUTES

Wednesday, July 22, 2009

Board of Supervisors Chambers – 701 Ocean Street

Time: 5:00 p.m.

I. ROLL/CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Johnson at 5:07 p.m.

Present: Virginia Johnson, Dan Haifley, Sharon Sarris, Laura Kasa, Tom Rosewall, Len Beyea; Robert Stokes; Alan Schlenger; Betsy Herbert; and Ken Adelman.

Staff: Nancy Gordon, Director, General Services Department
Other County staff: Melodye Serino; John Ricker; and Mark Deming

II. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

Due to the lack of the required 72 hour meeting notice, only informational items were presented. Agenda items for action will be held over to the regular August 2009 meeting of the Commission

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – continued to August meeting

IV. PUBLIC INPUT/ORAL COMMUNICATION – see Roundtable/announcements

V. BUSINESS MATTERS

A. Correspondence - see attached

B. Ongoing Discovery Process

1. Presentation from Alec Arago, Rep. Farr's District Chief, on Waxman cap and trade bill. PDF copy of bill to be distributed to COE electronically.

C. Consideration of draft recommendation to the Board – held over to August meeting

D. Transportation Demand Management follow up discussion – held over to August meeting.

E. Status of Committee Activities

1. Green Building Task Force – Sarris/Johnson. Next quarterly lunch meeting set for 9/11/09 from noon to 1:30 pm. Please RSVP in advance to avoid quorum issues.

2. Climate Action Compact Working Group – Rosewall/Johnson. Next monthly meeting on August 27, a please coordinate for quorum purposes if you would like to attend. Further discussion held for August meeting.
3. Legislative Recommendations or Updates – Schlenger/Haifley/Adelman/Stokes. – committee meeting within two weeks, will have recommendation at next meeting for four specific bills.

F. Timing and agenda for a joint meeting with the Santa Cruz County Water Advisory Commission – Herbert. Item continued to August agenda.

G. Set discovery process presentations for remainder of year
Item continued to August meeting. Commissioners asked to bring additional ideas for presentations if desired.

H. Set August 26, 2009 Agenda.

Items continued from July agenda will constitute the August agenda. Johnson asked Commissioners to be prepared to discuss work plan focus (want versus mandatory goals) in view of efficiency, time and limited resources.

I. Roundtable/announcements
Deming stated that the green housing ordinance would be the subject of discussion with an invited group of professionals on August 13 with the purpose to obtain feedback.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned by consensus at 6:43 p.m. Next meeting is August 26, 2009.