



**ENVIRONMENTALLY ENDANGERED LANDS (EEL) PROGRAM  
PROCEDURES COMMITTEE (PC)  
May 3, 2018  
Attendance List**

***PROCEDURES COMMITTEE MEMBERS***

Linda Behret  
Sil Crespo  
Vince Lamb  
Rocky Randels  
Diane Stees

***EEL PROGRAM STAFF***

Laura Clark  
Mike Knight

***GUESTS***

Paul Schmalzer, SMC

*Protecting and Preserving Biological Diversity  
Through Responsible Stewardship of Brevard County's Natural Resources*

*May 3, 2018  
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May 3, 2018  
Meeting Minutes

### CALL TO ORDER

Linda Behret, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 2:17 PM.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### Additional Discussion

Presentation of the minutes was tabled until a quorum of members arrived.

### AGENDA ITEM

#### **Workshop Request Letter**

Mike explained that staff had incorporated Selection and Management Committee (SMC) and Procedures Committee (PC) comments into the SMC/PC draft letter to the Board of County Commissioners requesting an EEL Program Workshop.

Linda noted that during the April 4, 2018 SMC/PC meeting, the PC discussed the SMC's motion of March 7<sup>th</sup>. As a result, the PC passed a new, slightly different motion which was not unanimously supported by the Committee. Linda added that during the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, the SMC had also discussed their original motion, and subsequently passed a revised motion, but there had not been time for the PC to consider joining the SMC in their reworded motion. She requested that the PC consider this option during the current meeting.

The group discussed possible options. During the discussion, an additional committee member arrived, and a quorum was reached.

#### **MOTION ONE**

**Vince Lamb made a motion in support of stepping away from the PC's April 4<sup>th</sup> motion regarding a workshop with the Board of County Commissioners, and joining the SMC in their new motion which now reads "The SMC and the PC are in favor of requesting a workshop with the Board of County Commissioners in order to discuss how Brevard County shall continue the EEL Program as authorized by the voter-approved public referendums in September 1990 and November 2004."**

**Rocky Randals seconded the motion.**

**The motion carried unanimously.**

Additional discussion ensued regarding how the letter should be addressed, and who should receive copies when the letter was submitted. The document was updated during the meeting as a result of this discussion.

Plans were made for Linda Behret, PC Chairman, to sign the updated letter and for the document to be presented to Randy Parkinson, SMC Chairman, at the SMC meeting scheduled on the

following day. It was noted that once the letter has been signed by both, the SMC, or PC Chairman will forward the document the Board.

It was noted that the timeline sent to County Administration regarding the committee's involvement in the 2004 referendum did not include references to workshops.

## **MINUTES**

The April 4, 2018 SMC/PC minutes were presented for approval.

### **MOTION TWO**

**Sil Crespo moved to approve the April 4, 2018 SMC/PC minutes, as presented.**

**Vince Lamb seconded the motion.**

#### Additional Discussion.

Discussion occurred regarding options for ways to include information from presentations within the minutes. It was determined that the current layout was acceptable for the current set of minutes.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

#### Additional Discussion

- It was noted that multiple previous requests to arrange for an EEL Program workshop with the Board through the former P&R Director have been unfruitful.
- Vince Lamb noted that the BOCC does not meet during June and their schedule through the end of the current fiscal year will be very busy.
- Paul Schmalzer noted that multiple previous attempts to arrange for an EEL Program workshop have been unfruitful.
- Mike confirmed that next year's operating millage has been submitted at the level requiring four votes of approval.
- It was noted that the SMC and PC are advisory committees to the BOCC and staff.
- Diane Stees suggested consideration of having a member of each committee meet with the County Manager.

Mike provided the following, additional information.

- SMC Opening: The BOCC approved a request to advertise for an SMC member to replace Ross Hinkle on April 24, 2018. The request was approved. Application packets are now available on the EEL Program website and should be submitted to Mike Knight. Deadline for submittal is May 18, 2018.
- Micco Scrub Sanctuary Wildfire: Last weekend, a wildfire which burned approximately 581 acres occurred within the Micco Scrub Sanctuary in the portion west of I-95. This area has been scheduled for timbering and it is believed that the only significant damage to the Sanctuary which resulted occurred on signs, and a few small footbridges, and fences.
- On April 24, 2018, Mike accepted an invitation from Brevard Nature Alliance to do a presentation on the EEL Program. He noted the presentation was well received.
- Progress continues on the plans with the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) to exchange property with the EEL Program in order to save some of the best of the last remaining scrub in

Brevard County. Scrub habitat is important for the Florida Scrub-Jay, a threatened species and other species which live in scrub, like Gopher Tortoises and scrub lizards. This land exchange has been a priority of the SMC's since the early 1990s.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will occur on August 2, 2018.

**ADJOURNED:**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM

**SUMMARY OF MEETING MOTIONS:**

1. Motion in support of stepping away from the PC's April 4<sup>th</sup> motion regarding a workshop with the Board of County Commissioners, and joining the SMC in their new motion which now reads "The SMC and the PC are in favor of requesting a workshop with the Board of County Commissioners in order to discuss how Brevard County shall continue the EEL Program as authorized by the voter-approved public referendums in September 1990 and November 2004."
2. Motion to approve the April 4, 2018 SMC/PC minutes, as presented.