



Mobile Bay National Estuary Program

Business Resource Committee

Wednesday October 8th, 2014

The Business Resource Committee of the Mobile Bay NEP met on Wednesday October 8, 2014. The meeting was opened by co-chair Jennifer Denson, welcoming the following members: Chandra Wright, Beth Thomas, Eliska Morgan, Judy Adams, Wiley Blankenship, Julie Bordes, Colette Boehm, John Bender, NEP Liaison Rick Frederick, and NEP Director Roberta Swann.

Mission of BRC: To advocate for streamlined regulations and balanced business practices that are in the best interest of the region's economic and environmental resources.

1). CCWF- Jennifer Denson updated the committee on the rfp for the Create a Clean Water Future campaign. All proposals have been received and final interviews will be on October 14. All BRC members are welcome to attend the interviews with Blink Colony and Lewis Communication. Rick Frederick will email the proposals to all BRC members and provide date and time of interviews.

2). Three Mile Creek- R. Frederick updated group on TMC efforts.

*No word yet on the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Grant through the City of Mobile. We are still in the running for this grant to provide a greenway from MLK Ave. to Tri-centennial Park.

*Quality of Place group formed to compliment efforts in Langan Park, TMC, and Crepe Myrtle Trail.

*MBNEP working with Auburn Univ. and The Nature Conservancy in Toulmin Springs regarding flooding issues and illicit discharge. Toulmin Springs is a tributary to TMC.

*TMC Open House hosted by the City of Mobile and Mayor Sandy Stimpson to take place on Monday Oct. 27 at Dearborn St. YMCA. Citizens and stakeholders invited to announce the completion of the TMC watershed management plan.

3). Sub-committee advisory contacts- R. Frederick reported on which members had been contacted and met with face to face. Discussion around new committee members and expanding the committee after reviewing the 5 year plan.

4). Announcement of upcoming Bays and Bayous Symposium and encouraged committee members to attend.

Meeting adjourned and next meeting will be at the Annual Breakfast Meeting on December 17th at Battle House Hotel.