



**Mobile Bay National Estuary Program
Community Action Committee
International Trade Center & Zoom
June 13, 2024, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

Attendees:

Leslie Gahagan, Wolf Bay Watershed Watch/City of Foley
Ted Henken, Fowl River Area Civic Association
Nick Williams, Wolf Bay Watershed Watch
Lillie Acreman, Wolf Bay Watershed Watch
Chandler Ogburn, Dog River Clearwater Revival
Kathryn Millard, EPA Gulf of Mexico Division
Ramsey Sprague, Mobile Environmental Justice Action Coalition, NAACP
Darron Patterson, Africatown Heritage Preservation Foundation
Mark Berte, Alabama Coastal Foundation
Dennis Hatfield, Little Lagoon Preservation Society
Alicia Stallworth, Bay Area Women coalition
Alice Pruitt, Bay Area Women coalition
Rodney Clements, Prosperity Community Development Council
Lani Cameron, Western Perdido Bay Watershed Action Committee
Carletta Davis, We Matter Eight Mile Association
Shemika Brown, MBNEP
Cody Aloï, MBNEP
Blair Morrison, MBNEP
Bekah Farmer, MBNEP
Regan Smart, MBNEP
Vanessa Romero, MBNEP

Welcome and Introductions

Shemika Brown opened the meeting by welcoming attendees then turned the meeting over to Co-Chairs, Leslie Gahagan and Ted Henken.

Each meeting attendee was allowed to introduce themselves and the organization with which they are associated.

Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 12, 2024, were approved by the committee unanimously. There was no old business to discuss.

Mr. Henken reviewed meeting rules with the committee then introduced the first of two presenters.

Cody Aloï, Program Manager, MBNEP, presented on: *Pathogen Detection Canine Program* currently being discussed at the MBNEP.

Questions for Mr. Aloï included:

1. What types of dogs would be used?
 - A. Belgian Malinois will be looked at initially.

Blair Morrison, Science and Monitoring Program Lead, MBNEP, presented on: *Effective Climate Change Communication - Training Opportunities and Professional Networking*.

Ms. Morrison spoke to the committee on the opportunity to participate in various trainings and received several statements of interest and will schedule training accordingly.

Leslie Gahagan gave a presentation to the committee which included a CCMP & MBNEP review and presented the committee with a forthcoming survey to fill out and return for the next meeting.

Shemika Brown told the committee that the next meeting is tentatively scheduled for mid-September 2024 and that she will notify the committee with the final date confirmed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.