

MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY BOARD MEETING

Martin County Administrative Building Commission Chambers

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Monday, October 21, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** - Chair Vinny Barile called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- 2. PRAYER** - Reverend James Brocious, Stuart Alliance Church
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. ROLL CALL**

Members in Attendance:

Vinny Barile, Chair, Town of Sewall's Point Mayor
Doug Smith, Vice Chair, Martin County Board of County Commissioners
Sarah Heard, Martin County Board of County Commissioners
Harold Jenkins, Martin County Board of County Commissioners
Stacey Hetherington, Martin County Board of County Commissioners
Eula R. Clarke, City of Stuart Commissioner
Merritt Matheson, City of Stuart Commissioner
Anthony Dowling, Village of Indiantown Council Member

Staff in Attendance:

Beth Beltran, MPO Administrator
Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner
Joy Puerta, Planner
Ricardo Vazquez, Associate Planner
Brigitte Wantz, Administrative Specialist III

Others in Attendance:

Reverend James Brocious, Stuart Alliance Church
Gerry O'Reilly, FDOT
Leslie Wetherell, FDOT
Carol Scott, FDOT
Susan O'Rourke, O'Rourke Engineering & Planning

A quorum was present for this meeting.

- 5. APPROVE AGENDA**

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Eula Clarke and seconded by Commissioner Anthony Dowling. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Susan O'Rourke

7. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) FY2021/21-FY2024/25 CITIZEN'S REPORT DRAFT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM

District Secretary Gerry O'Reilly FDOT-District 4 presented and sought approval of the FY2020/21-FY2024/25 Citizen's Report-Draft Tentative Work Program for Martin County. Secretary O'Reilly provided an update on Kanner Highway from SW Lost River Rd to Monterey (completed) and Kanner Highway from Pratt Whitney Rd to SW Jack James Dr. (in progress), High Meadow Ave. from CR-714 to Murphy Rd. (completed), Sidewalk on A1A (completed), Jensen Beach Blvd RRR/Resurfacing from US-1 to Savannah Rd. (in progress). Leslie Wetherell, District 4 Program Administrator provided an update on project highlights for servicing projects, signage and marketing projects, bicycle and pedestrian improvements, studies for future projects, and capacity improvements for right of way and construction. Ms. Wetherell mentioned the Willoughby Blvd. Extension and informed the Board that there is funding for the PD&E study and the project is expected to be an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), the highest level of a PD&E that can be done. Other PD&E studies on off-system facilities consist of High Meadow Avenue, Cove Road, and FEC at Monterey Road.

There was a lengthy discussion on other projects including State Road 710; the intersection at Joan Jefferson, and US1 at the roundabout where Joan Jefferson meets incoming southbound traffic on A1A coming into the roundabout; South River and Kanner southbound right hand turn lanes and the traffic signal; lighting on I-95 and new lights being added in Martin County; and the Monterey Road project. Ms. Beth Beltran provided clarification that the tentative work program was designed based on the projects currently approved by the Board and that the Board will have another opportunity to re-prioritize projects. There was discussion on the motion to get clarity that it didn't include moving the two traffic lights up further on the priority list.

A motion was made to approve the Draft Tentative Work Program by Commissioner Stacey Hetherington and seconded by Commissioner Sarah Heard. Commissioner Doug Smith objects and the motion passed with a 5-1 vote

B. FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE TENTATIVE FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAM FY2020/21-FY2024/25

Carol Scott provided a Tentative Work Program summary for Florida's Turnpike for FY2020/21-FY2024/25. The Tentative Work Program includes implementing All-

Electronic Tolling (AET) Phase 8 on the Turnpike / SR 91 to convert portions of the Turnpike System to a cashless, all-electronic toll collection system.

A motion was made to approve Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Tentative Five-Year Program by Commissioner Sarah Heard and seconded by Commissioner Eula Clarke. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously.

C. SHARED-USE NONMOTORIZED (SUN) TRAIL PROGRAM REQUEST FOR FUNDING-APPLICATION, RESOLUTION & PRIORITY REGIONAL TRAIL FY2024/25

Joy Puerta presented the SUN Trail Program application for East Coast Greenway (ECG) requesting for inclusion in the Tentative Five-Year Work Program development cycle because the projects programmed for this cycle will be funded as early as Fiscal Year 2024/2025. There was discussion on the ECG meandering through Jonathan Dickinson State Park.

A motion was made to approve the Funding-Application, Resolution & Priority Regional Trail FY2024/25 by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Eula Clarke. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously.

D. TREASURE COAST REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

Ms. Beth Beltran provided an update on the Treasure Coast Transportation Council (TCTC) on the findings of the Indian River US-1 Corridor Retrofit Study completed by FDOT's consultant CTS Engineering. The TCTC approved the concept of Phase 2 of the US 1 Corridor Retrofit Study and directed staff to work with FDOT to develop a scope and identify funding. As the TCTC includes representatives from the Martin, St. Lucie and Indian River MPO's, Ms. Beltran suggested that the TCTC is the forum to address regional issues discussed at the last MPO Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sarah Heard and seconded by Commissioner Eula Clarke to send a letter to St. Lucie Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) and the Indian River Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to address regional transportation issues and concerns at a TCTC meeting. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously.

9. COMMENTS FROM FDOT- None

10. COMMENTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS - None

11. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS –

Commissioner Eula Clarke and Councilman Anthony Dowling thanked staff and FDOT. Councilman Dowling also announced that he is hosting a job fair in Indiantown on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at Post Park in the afternoon and October 28-29, 2019 at the Indiantown Civic Center from 9:00am-1:00pm. There was discussion on power poles in Indiantown.

12. NOTES - None


13. NEXT MEETING – December 9, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.

14. ADJOURN

Seeing no other business items remaining on the Agenda and no additional comments, Chair Vinny Barile adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Doug Smith and seconded by Commissioner Harold Jenkins. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously.

Approved by:



Chair

Prepared by:



Florence Allen, Administrative Specialist III

Minutes approved on:

12/9/2019

Date

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