

**MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
LOCAL COORDINATING BOARD FOR THE TRANSPORTATION  
DISADVANTAGED**

Martin County Board of County Commission Chambers  
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**Monday, March 2, 2026, at 10:00 A.M.**

**MINUTES**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – The Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged (LCB-TD) meeting of March 2, 2026, was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Mayor Carmine Dipaolo, Chair.
- 2. ROLL CALL** – Sarah Cornelius, Administrative Coordinator, called roll.

**Members in Attendance:**

Mayor Carmine Dipaolo – Chair, Village of Indiantown  
Robert McPartlan, Vice Chair, Department of Children and Family  
Ashman Beecher, Martin County Transit  
Dalia Dillon, Department of Elder Affairs  
Phyl Weaver, Representative for Persons over 60  
Tatiana Gillyard, FDOT Representative  
Milory Senat, Agency for Persons with Disabilities  
Brenda Matheny, Local Medical Community  
Michael Drost, Florida Department of Veteran's Affairs  
Michelle Miller, Representative for the Florida Association for Community Action  
(FACA) Economically Disadvantaged  
Jennifer Langlois, Representative for Public Education Community District  
School

**Excused Members:**

Gayle McArdle, Representative for Persons with Disabilities  
Emily Hough, Florida Division of Vocational Rehab  
Tarlaymoon Hosein, Citizens Advocate (Rider Rep)

**Members not in Attendance:**

Gregory McDonald, Career Source Research Coast  
Monique Robbins, Representative for Children at Risk Board

**Staff in Attendance:**

Beth Beltran, MPO Administrator  
Ricardo Vazquez, Principal Planner  
Bolivar Gomez, Senior Planner

**Others in Attendance:**

Holly Newberry, SRA  
Joe Story, SRA  
Karen Deigl

**A quorum was present for the meeting.**

**3. APPROVE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Phyl Weaver to approve the agenda as presented and seconded by Robert McPartlan. The motion passed unanimously.**

**4. APPROVE MINUTES**

Regular meeting minutes- December 8, 2025

**A motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2025, was made by Phyl Weaver and seconded by Robert McPartlan. The motion passed unanimously.**

**5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

No Public Comment

**6. AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

The first meeting of the calendar year the LCD board needs to elect a vice chair. Phyl Weaver nominated Robert McPartlan for Vice Chair.

**A motion to approve Robert McPartlan as the Vice Chair was made by Phyl Weaver and seconded by Dalia Dillon. The motion passed unanimously.**

**B. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT**

Holly Newberry, with the Senior Resource Association (SRA) of Martin County Transit, gave a quarterly report presentation. Holly explained that the Martin County Indiantown Shuttle will be ending on June 30<sup>th</sup> if they cannot come up with \$22,500 before June 30, 2026.

Karen Deigl, CEO of SRA, spoke on two things that Holly mentioned in her presentation. First, SRA is looking for the \$22,500 currently for the Indiantown Shuttle. Secondly, the Innovative Service Development Grant funds the Advantage Ride Program. The \$1.5 million grant provides transportation in four Counties. This is not a recurring grant; it needs to be applied for each year. Karen spoke about the legislative \$6 million budget. In case of not receiving the \$22,500, Karen and her team have sent out letters to the community in February letting them know that the shuttle will be

closed effective July 1, 2026. Chair Carmine Dipaolo, Mayor of Indiantown, asked what the \$22,500 would cover. Karen Deigl explained it would cover continuing the service as is, Saturday through Sunday, for another year.

Ashman Beecher, Martin County Transit, thanked Karen and MCT. There have been significant positive changes and forward thinking for the community.

**A motion to approve the Quarterly Performance Report was made by Phyl Weaver and seconded by Ashman Beecher. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **C. COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR (CTC) EVALUATION**

Ricardo Vazquez, Principal Planner, explained the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) Evaluation process. Ricardo explained that there is a need for volunteers for the surveys, ride-alongs, and vehicle inspections. MPO staff have reached out to riders for the survey process. MPO staff is looking to schedule the vehicle inspections this month with the CTC. Ricardo is hoping to have everything wrapped up by the meeting in June. Beth Beltran, MPO Administrator, asked if there were any volunteers.

Milory Senat wanted to know if the committee members could be made anonymous during a ride-along? She has participated in Palm Beach County and St. Lucie County ride-alongs anonymously to help get the full effect without any special treatment as a committee member. Ricardo Vazquez stated he would do some research to find out how Palm Beach County has done the anonymous rides. Phyl Weaver and Dalia Dillon volunteered for ride-alongs. Milory Senat will volunteer if the ride is anonymous. Phyl Weaver and Milory Senat also volunteered for the surveys.

### **D. LCB-TD BYLAWS**

Ricardo explained that there are no changes to the bylaws.

**A motion to approve the LCB-TD Bylaws was made by Phyl Weaver and seconded by Michael Drost. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **E. LCB-TD COMPLAINT AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

Ricardo explained that there was a minor change to the Complaint and Grievance Procedures. A link to the CTD website has been updated to direct people to the new CTD webpage.

**A motion to approve the LCB-TD Complaint and Grievance Procedures was made by Phyl Weaver and seconded by Dalia Dillon. The motion passed unanimously.**

## **7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Chair Carmine Dipaolo questioned whether the \$22,500 was part of a bigger number. Karen Deigl said yes, and that it is a match for the Service Development Grant that Indiantown applied for from the FDOT. Indiantown is not receiving the grant and the \$22,500 will cover the funds not received. Carmine Dipaolo stated he is sure that Indiantown could find the funds to cover the \$22,500 as this is an important program.

Jennifer Langlois thanked Ashman Beecher and his team for the training that was put on at the school district. Ashman mentioned it was Alysha William who hosted the training. Ashman stated that Alysha would be the contact person for any future training.

**8. NOTES - None**

**9. NEXT MEETING - June 1, 2026, 10:00 AM**  
Martin County Admin Center, Commission Chambers


**10. ADJOURN - 10:23 A.M.**

**Approved by:**

  
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Mayor Carmine Dipaolo, Chair

6/1/26  
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Date

**Prepared by:**

*BOLIVAR GOMEZ FOR*  
  
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Sarah Cornelius, Administrative Coordinator

6/1/26  
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Date

**Minutes Approved on June 1, 2026**

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