



MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 6, 2023
Lake~Sumter MPO
1300 Citizens Blvd, Suite 175
Leesburg, FL 34748

Members Present:

Commissioner Doug Shields (1st Vice Chair)
Commissioner Leslie Campione (Past Chair)
Commissioner Craig Estep (Chair)
Commissioner Don Wiley
Commissioner Roberta Ulrich
Councilmember Jim Purvis
Councilmember Chandra Myers
City Commissioner Gary Ashcraft
Jimmy Burry
Councilmember Cal Rolfson (Chair Elect)
Council Member Sandy Gamble (2nd Vice Chair)
Mayor Evelyn Wilson
City Council Jim Ley (Lake At Large Rep)
City Commissioner Joe Elliott

Representing:

Lake County BCC
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Sumter County BCC
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City of Clermont
City of Clermont
City of Eustis
City of Leesburg
City of Mount Dora
City of Tavares
City of Groveland*
Town of Montverde
City of Wildwood*

Members Absent:

Commissioner Josh Blake
Commissioner Sean Parks
Commissioner Kirby Smith
City Commissioner Ed Freeman
Councilor Erick Hernandez
Councilor George Lehning
Vice-Mayor Mitchell Mack
City Commissioner John Mobilian
Councilmember Ellen Cruz
Councilmember Katherine Adams
Council Member Lance Lowery (Sumter At Large Rep)
Councilmember Charles Felton
Mayor Bobby Yost
Matt Schwerin
Board Member Tyler Brandenburg
Board Member Sally Moss

Lake County BCC
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Town of Lady Lake
City of Minneola
Town of Howey-in-the-Hills*
Town of Astatula*
City of Fruitland Park*
City of Mascotte*
City of Umatilla*
City of Bushnell
City of Coleman*
City of Webster*
Florida Central Railroad**
Lake County Schools**
Sumter County Schools**

*Denotes non-voting members

**Denotes ex-officio, non-voting member

Staff:

Mike Woods
Doris LeMay

Executive Director
Financial Coordinator

Call to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance/Notice/Roll Call/Chairman's Announcements/Executive Director's Announcements

The meeting of the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Commissioner Craig Estep Chair. Followed by a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance. Staff announced the meeting was properly noticed. The roll was called, at which time it was noted a quorum was present (9 voting members present).

I. UPDATE

None

Commissioner Campione Arrived (10 Voting Members present).

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Ed Evenski and Harold Meyer voiced concerns over turnpike noise near their neighborhood.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent approval is requested of the following items:

- A. Consideration to approve the October 25, 2023, MPO Governing Board Minutes
- B. 2023-2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Agreement Amendment
- C. Lake~Sumter MPO Bylaws Amendment

Cal Rolfson asked to pull Item C for decision.

Motion was made by Cal Rolfson to approve Items A and B of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Sandy Gamble, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake Sumter MPO approved Items A and B of the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion was made by Cal Rolfson to approve Item C of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Gary Ashcraft, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake Sumter MPO approved Item C of the Consent Agenda as presented.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consideration of Resolution 2023-19 Commemorating the Completion of the Wekiva Parkway. Mary Brooks, Public Information Officer, Wekiva Parkway presented brief overview.

Motion was made Commissioner Leslie Campione to approve Resolution 2023-19 Commemorating the Completion of the Wekiva Parkway, seconded by Cal Rolfson, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake~Sumter MPO approved Resolutions 2023-19 Commemorating the Completion of the Wekiva Parkway.

B. Approval of the 2024 MPO Governing Board and Executive Committee (EC) meeting calendar

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Wiley to approve the 2024 MPO Board and EC Calendar, seconded by Commissioner Leslie Campione, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake~Sumter MPO approved the 2024 MPO Board and EC Calendar.

C. Review and Approval of the proposed 2024 MPO Officers and Appointments are as follows:

- Chair Cal Rolfson, City of Mount Dora, CFMPOA, MPOAC
- Chair Elect Doug Shields, Lake County BOCC, CFMPOA, MPOAC
- 1st Vice Chair Sandy Gamble, City of Tavares, CFMPOA
- 2nd Vice Chair, Don Wiley Sumter County BOCC
- Past Chair Craig Estep, Sumter County BOCC, Sumter TDCB Chair
- Lake County At-Large Representative, Katherine Adams, City of Umatilla
- Sumter County At-Large Representative, Joe Elliott, City of Wildwood

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Wiley to approve the 2024 MPO Officers and Appointments or Nominations from the Board, seconded by Sandy Gamble, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake~Sumter MPO approved the 2024 MPO Officers and Appointments or Nominations from the Board.

D. Lake~Sumter MPO Letter to Secretary Perdue supporting the SR 50 Groveland Realignment project funding. Michael Woods provided a brief overview. Discussion continued.

Motion was made by Commissioner Doug Shields to approve the SR 50 Groveland Letter of Support, seconded by Jim Ley, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake~Sumter MPO approved the SR 50 Groveland of Support.

E. Consideration of Resolution 2023-17 Amending the Lake~Sumter MPO 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Michael Woods, Lake Sumter MPO and Mike Vaudo Kimley Horn & Associates provided a brief overview. Discussion continued.

Motion was made by Cal Rolfson to approve Resolution 2023-17 Amending the Lake~Sumter MPO 2045 LRTP, seconded by Commissioner Leslie Campione, and carried by a roll call vote of 10-0, the Lake~Sumter MPO approved Resolution 2023-17 Amending the Lake~Sumter MPO 2045 LRTP.

F. Consideration of Resolution 2023-18 Amending the Lake~Sumter MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FY 2024-2028. Michael Woods provided a brief overview.

Motion was made by Cal Rolfson to approve Resolution 2023-18 Amending the Lake~Sumter MPO (TIP) FY 2024-28, seconded by Commissioner Leslie Campione, and carried by a roll call vote of 10-0, the Lake~Sumter MPO approved Resolution 2023-18 Amending the Lake~Sumter MPO (TIP) FY 2024-28.

- G.** MPO Executive Director Annual Evaluation – Rachel Bartolowits provided a brief overview of the recommendation of the EC of a 12% Salary Merit increase. Discussion Continued.

Motion was made by Cal Rolfson to approve a 12% Salary Merit raise for Michael Woods beginning January 1, 2024, seconded by Jim Ley, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake~Sumter MPO approved a 12% Salary Merit Raise for Michael Woods beginning January 1, 2024.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. 2023 Congestion Management Program (CMP) – State of the System Report. Amber Gartner, Kimley Horn & Associates.
- B. FDOT Tentative Work Program (TWP). Kathy Alexander
FTE D5 Tentative Work Program. Siasoi Fine

VI. REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS, STUDIES

- 1. FDOT– Charles Koppernolle
- 2. Florida Turnpike Enterprise – Siasoi Fine
- 3. Lake County Transit Report
- 4. Legislative Reports

VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Various Board members

VIII. ADJOURNMENT NEXT MEETING:

There being no further business to be brought to the attention of the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization the meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Cal Rolfson, Chair