



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, October 23, 2024**  
**Lake~Sumter MPO**  
**1300 Citizens Blvd, Suite 175**  
**Leesburg, FL 34748**

Members Present:

Commissioner Doug Shields (Chair Elect)  
Commissioner Sean Parks  
Commissioner Craig Estep (Past Chair)  
Councilmember Michael Gonzalez  
Councilmember Chandra Myers  
City Commissioner Gary Ashcraft  
Mayor Evelyn Wilson  
City Commissioner Ed Freeman  
Jimmy Burry  
Councilmember Cal Rolfson (Chair)  
Council Member Sandy Gamble (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair)  
Councilor George Lehning  
Councilmember Katherine Adams (Lake At Large Rep)  
City Commissioner Joe Elliott (Sumter At Large Rep)  
Board Member Sally Moss

Representing:

Lake County BCC  
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Sumter County BCC  
City of Clermont  
City of Clermont  
City of Eustis  
City of Groveland  
Town of Lady Lake  
City of Leesburg  
City of Mount Dora  
City of Tavares  
Town of Howey-in-the-Hills\*  
City of Umatilla  
City of Wildwood  
Sumter County Schools\*\*

Members Absent:

Commissioner Kirby Smith  
Commissioner Leslie Campione  
Commissioner Josh Blake  
Commissioner Oren Miller (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair)  
Councilor Erick Hernandez  
Vice-Mayor Mitchell Mack  
City Commissioner Chris Bell  
Councilmember Ellen Cruz  
Council Member Lance Lowery  
Councilmember Charles Felton  
Vacant  
Matt Schwerin  
Board Member Tyler Brandenburg

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Sumter County BCC  
City of Minneola\*  
Town of Astatula\*  
City of Fruitland Park\*  
City of Mascotte\*  
City of Bushnell  
City of Coleman\*  
City of Webster\*  
Florida Central Railroad\*\*  
Lake County Schools\*\*

\*Denotes non-voting members

\*\*Denotes ex-officio, non-voting member

Staff:

Michael 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 2:03 p.m. by Cal Rolfson 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 (10 voting members present). Commissioner Shields reported that this would be his last meeting.

**I. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent approval is requested of the following items:

- A. Consideration to approve the June 19, 2024, MPO Governing Board Minutes
- B. Recommendation of Approval for the FY 2025-2026 unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

**Motion** was made by Sandy Gamble, seconded by Commissioner Doug Shields, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake Sumter MPO approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

**III. ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. Transportation Improvement program (TIP) Amendment #1. Recommendation of Approval of Emergency resolution 2024-9 Amending the 2025-2029 TIP. Nick Lepp, HDR Engineering, Inc., provided a brief presentation. Discussion continued.

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Craig Estep, seconded by Joe Elliott, and carried by a roll call vote of 10-0, the Lake Sumter MPO approved Resolution 2024-9 amending the 2025-2029 TIP.

- B. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2. Recommendation of Approval of Resolution 2024-10 Amending the 2025-2029 TIP. Nick Lepp, HDR Engineering, Inc., provided a brief presentation. Discussion continued.

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Craig Estep, seconded by Evelyn Wilson, and carried by a roll call vote of 10-0, the Lake Sumter MPO approved Resolution 2024-10 amending the 2025-2029 TIP.

- C. Central Florida Safety Strategic plan (CFSSP) for FDOT District 5. Michael Woods and Commissioner Craig Estep presented a brief overview of the CFSSP. Discussion continued.

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Craig Estep, to nominate Joe Elliott to serve on the CFSSP Steering Committee, seconded by Commissioner Doug Shields, and carried by a vote of 10-0, the Lake Sumter MPO approved Joe Elliott to serve on the CFSSP Steering Committee.

**IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- A. Secretary John Tyler, FDOT D5 will address the MPO Board.
- B. The 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – Nick Lepp, HDR
- C. Lake Sumter MPO Apportionment Plan Revisited – Nick Lepp, HDR

**V. REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS**

- 1. FDOT Reports - Charles Koppernolle
- 2. Florida Turnpike Enterprise – Siaso Fine
- 3. Central Florida Expressway (CFX)
- 4. Lake County Transit Report

**VI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Various Board members

**VII. ADJOURNMENT NEXT MEETING: December 11, 2024 @ 2:00 P.M.** There being no further business to be brought to the attention of the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization the meeting was adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

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Cal Rolfson, Chair