



South Lake Task Force

MINUTES

Thursday March 9, 2017

2 p.m.

**Clermont City Hall
685 W. Montrose St.
Clermont, Florida**

South Lake Task Force Members

Governing Board

*Commissioner Tim Sullivan, Lake County, D1
Commissioner Sean Parks, Lake County, D2
*Council Member Ray Goodgame, City of Clermont
*Council Member Diane Travis, City of Clermont
Council Member Dina Sweatt, City of Groveland
Council Member Sally Rayman, City of Mascotte
Mayor Barbara Krull, City of Mascotte
Mayor Pat Kelley, City of Minneola
Mayor Joe Wynkoop, Town of Montverde
*Town Councilman Glenn Burns, Town of Montverde
School Board Member Sandy Gamble

Administrators

David Heath, Lake County
Darren Gray, City of Clermont
Jim Gleason, City of Mascotte
Mark Johnson, City of Minneola
Graham Wells, Town of Montverde

TAC (staff)

Tomika Monterville
*Fred Schneider
Dottie Keedy
Joyce Heffington
*Shannon Schmidt
Dolly Miller
* Members in attendance

CAC (citizens)

*Susy Gibson
*Matt Earnest

BPAC (bike/ped)

Scot Hartle
Nicholas Sottile
Robb Beams
Kelly Price
Michelle Hawkins

Others in attendance:

Joe Saunders, City of Minneola
Gallus Quigley, Lake County
T.J. Fish, Lake~Sumter MPO

David Colby, South Lake Chamber of Commerce
Brian Hutt, Lake~Sumter MPO
Francis Franco, Lake~Sumter MPO

OPENING

Commissioner Tim Sullivan called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm and confirmed there was proper noticing. Introductions were provided.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susy Gibson questioned Lake County Public Works staff regarding road repairs and resurfacing taking place on Anderson Hill Road.

TASK FORCE ITEMS

I. Central Florida Coast to Coast Connector Trail (C2C)

T.J. Fish provided an update on the following:

- A. Status of Segments and Phases
- B. Strategies to Capital on C2C Connector – Trail Towns Concept

II. Safety and Bicycle/Pedestrian Initiatives

Staff provided updates on the following:

- A. Bike-Walk Central Florida
 - B. Bicycle-Friendly Community and Strategies to Support Endurance Events
 - C. MPO Safety Initiative
 - D. MPO Programs: Complete Streets, Sidewalks, Safe School Emphasis Areas, Regional Trails
- Gallus Quigley shared information regarding the next public meeting for trails scheduled on March 23 at the Old Mill Stream RV Park in Umatilla, FL.

III. Transit: Lake County Connection, LakeXpress, LYNX

TJ Fish provided update regarding Mcdonald Transit the new vendor for transit service in Lake County. He said they will be handling the LakeXpress and Lake County Connection Transit Service. Shannon Schmidt commented on the lack of benches and shelters along SR 50.

IV. Florida's Turnpike Enterprise: Minneola Interchange, Mainline Widening, Bridges

Mr. Fish reported plans are for a June opening of the Minneola Interchange. North Hancock is already complete. Discussion.

V. Status of Wellness Way Area Plan and Planning of US 27-SR 429 Connector

T.J. Fish provided update on the status of Wellness Way Area Plan and US 27-SR 429.

VI. Status of State Road Projects and Funding

Staff provided an update on the following projects:

- A. Construction Project to Build to Six Lanes: US 27 from Lake Louisa Road (Clermont) south to Boggy Marsh Road (Four Corners/South Clermont) - Mr. Fish shared US 27 will be complete end of next year, it will continue to be two lanes for at least another year.
- B. Groveland SR 50 Realignment Right-of-Way Funding Request - Mr. Fish shared the ROW is #1 request with FDOT.
- C. SR 50 Project Development & Environment Study – CR 33 (Mascotte) to US 98 (Hernando)
- D. Future FDOT Studies: US 27, SR 33, SR 19 - TJ Fish commented US 27 is moving forward and getting FDOT attention, it is a SIS facility, asking for funds for a study. Gallus Quigley shared the current Master Plan is showing a trail.

VII. Status of County Road Projects and Funding

MPO and Lake County staff provided an update on the following projects:

- A. North Hancock Road – Minneola Interchange north to CR 561A
- B. Citrus Grove Road – US 27 to North Hancock Road and Minneola Interchange
- C. Fosgate Road – Potential Connection Minneola-Montverde
- D. CR 455 Extension (Hartle Road) – SR 50 south to Hartwood Marsh Road
- E. Hartwood-Marsh Road – US 27 east to future CR 455 Extension
- F. Sawgrass Bay Boulevard – Connection from US 27 to Orange County CR 545 and SR 429
- G. Hooks Street – Hancock Road east to CR 455 Extension
- H. CR 455 and Ridgewood Drive Intersection
- I. Villa City Road at US 27

VIII. Task Force Member Reports / Comments

Gallus Quigley questioned if the County did a traffic study on how Citrus Grove Road would impact traffic at Oak Valley Blvd. Mr. Schneider said a study has not been done. Commissioner Sullivan commented on the budgetary process and will keep folks updated as the county gets thru the process.

**IX. There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.
Next Meeting: May 4, 2017**