



**SOUTH LAKE TASKFORCE
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, May 14, 2007
Clermont City Hall
685 W. Montrose St.
Clermont, Florida 34711**

Members Present:

Commissioner Elaine Renick
Council Member Ray Goodgame
Mayor David Yeager

Members Absent:

Commissioner Debbie Stivender
Vice Mayor Allen Sherrod
Town Councilman Joe Wynkoop

Staff:

T. J. Fish
Sandy Minkoff
Susan Goldfuss

Representing:

Lake County
City of Clermont
City of Minneola

Representing:

Lake County
City of Groveland
Town of Montverde

Executive Director
Attorney
Executive Assistant

Mayor David Yeager, MPO Chairman, called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. and noted that the meeting was properly noticed. All present stated their names and affiliation. Sandy Minkoff advised there is no quorum requirement as the task force is a recommending subcommittee only. T. J. Fish stated the City of Groveland representative was added to the taskforce due to the subject of SR 50; however, it was not necessary for them to be present at this time and will be re-invited at a later date.

I. SR 50

The taskforce reviewed the map of SR 50 Projects (west). MPO Board formally approved the SR 50 TRIP with the Plaza Colina match. David Marsh, FDOT MPO Liaison, discussed the possibility of the TRIP funded project not coinciding with the Hancock portion, especially if there are right of way acquisition problems. Discussion reference the importance of Hook Street and Hartwood Marsh Road.

II. Expressway Projects

Karl Passetti of Kittelson & Associates, the consultant for the Orlando Orange County Expressway Authority, went through a presentation handout and explained the project development process. He reviewed the SR 408 Western Extension study area, community features, existing developments, future development and the status of the study. Discussion reference the study as far south as US 192 and the possibility of it not relieving SR 50. T.J. Fish relayed the results of a meeting with OOCEA and Lake County. The MPO recommends the project as close to US 27 as feasible. Further discussion reference US 192 and getting other counties involved; land acquisitions; right of way; and gopher tortoise issues.

III. Minneola Turnpike Interchange

The taskforce reviewed a map of the Minneola turnpike interchange and how the turnpike would be aligned. Mayor Yeager explained the homes that are directly affected. Discussion reference various developments; the need for a new relief system for north and south traffic; 2 new schools in Minneola and their road

network; and the change of project manager for the Hills of Minneola. Further discussion reference CR 561; Sugarloaf Mountain; and road issues with Lake County Public Works.

IV. Staff Report / Comments

T.J. Fish asked taskforce members if they are okay with what MPO staff is doing.

V. Taskforce Members / Comments

Mayor Yeager requested a public meeting for input for Minneola road issue.

Taskforce members agreed to every other month meetings.

Council Member Goodgame stated there are few cars at the park and ride for the LYNX bus to Orlando, and he would like to see the bus go the whole corridor to Mascotte.

VI. Public Comments

None

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.