

Minutes
Policy Committee
9-13-11
1:30 PM

Members Present	Organization
Walter K. Sandlin	City of Lake Park
John Leonard	SGRC
Larry Hanson	Valdosta
Jason Davenport (Ashley Paulk)	Lowndes County
Joe Pritchard	Lowndes County
Sonny Vickers	Valdosta
Tom McQueen (phone)	GDOT Atlanta
Others Present	
Corey Hull	SGRC
Joe Sheffield	GDOT Tifton
Brent Thomas	GDOT Tifton
Shane Pridgen	GDOT Tifton
Lesa Walker (phone)	GDOT Atlanta

Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order

Jason Davenport called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. welcoming Mayor Vickers to the committee.

Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call

Mr. Davenport asked for everyone to introduce themselves for the benefit of the group and the newly appointed Mayor Vickers from Valdosta.

Mr. Hull reviewed the attendance tracking sheets, and noted the changes to make the table more readable. He also noted that the CAC wants to make sure that the members of the CAC are participating and are looking to address this in the coming months.

Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Davenport asked for a comments on the minutes. None were voiced, a motion was made by John Leonard and seconded by Larry Hanson to approve the minutes as presented, the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #4– Old Business

None.

Agenda Item #5– New Business

A. Election of Officers

Mr. Davenport acknowledged that according to the bylaws of the VLMPO Policy Committee upon the resignation of Mayor Fretti that he automatically assumed the chairmanship of the Policy Committee should that position become vacant. He noted that this results in the need to elect a new Vice Chair. Mr. Davenport asked Corey Hull to review the bylaws section regarding the succession of officers. Mr. Hull noted that in this case the election today would be held only for the Vice Chair. Mr. Hull noted that for the past several years the officers had held two one-year terms that rotated between the City of Valdosta, Lowndes County and SGRC representatives. Mr. Hull also noted that one jurisdiction does not usually hold both the Chair and Vice Chair position.

Mr. Vickers commented that do to his short tenure on the Policy Committee that he did not want to be considered to fill the Vice Chair position at this time.

Mr. Hanson nominated John Leonard, SGRC to serve as the Vice Chair of the VLMPO Policy Committee. This was seconded by Mr. Sandlin. Mr. Davenport called for any other nominations, none were raised. Nominations were closed and a vote was called and carried unanimously to elect John Leonard to Vice Chair of the VLMPO Policy Committee.

B. Administrative Modification to FY12-15 TIP; PI#0008437

Corey Hull reviewed this administrative modification for the PC and noted there was no need for review from the Policy Committee. It was clarified that GDOT made this request.

C. Amendment to FY12-15 TIP – Resolution FY2012-2

Mr. Hull reviewed this amendment to the TIP and explained that to various reasons this project had not met the deadlines for being let to a contractor in the last year. He explained

this project amendment was presented for a public comment period and that no comments were received. He explained that it was therefore necessary to bring this amendment before the Policy Committee. Mr. Pritchard made the motion to accept the amendment as presented, Mr. Hanson seconded this motion, the motion carried unanimously.

D. Review of FY2011 Annual Report

Mr. Hull also presented information about the FY11 annual report that will be sent out later to the committee.

Agenda Item #6 – Staff Update

Staff gave an update on the status of the Transportation Investment Act public meetings and encouraged the TCC to attend the upcoming meeting in Valdosta on 9/19. A brief discussion ensued about the TIA. Mr. Hull asked that committee members continue to recommend speaking engagements for staff to promote the MPO and our projects and programs. Mr. Hull presented information on the latest updates on federal transportation funding in Washington. Mr. Hull informed the committee that the TCC will be reviewing a model ordinance developed by the MPO staff for access management along Inner Perimeter Road. Mr. Hull also presented the update of the current projects under construction and in the TIP.

Agenda Item #5 – Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment


None.

Agenda Item #6 - Next Meeting Date and Time

The next meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2012 at 1:30 pm.

Agenda Item #7 – Adjournment

Mr. Davenport called for a motion to adjourn, a motion was made by Mr. Pritchard and seconded by Mr. Hanson at about 2:05 pm.



Jason Davenport, Planner, Lowndes County
Chair, Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization