

**Minutes  
Policy Committee  
November 1, 2012  
10:00 AM**

<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Tom McQueen	GDOT
Jason Davenport	Lowndes County (Ashley Paulk Proxy)
John Leonard	SGRC
John Gayle	Valdosta
Larry Hanson	Valdosta
Joe Pritchard	Lowndes County
Jessica Freeman	Remerton (proxy for Cornelius Holsendolph)
<b>Others Present</b>	
Corey Hull	SGRC
Brent Thomas	GDOT
Joe Sheffield	GDOT
Shane Pridgen	GDOT
Allan Rickets	VLCIA
Ray Sable	VSU
Pat Collins	Valdosta
Brent Story	GDOT
Daniel Pass	GDOT

**Agenda Item #1 – Call to Order**

Mr. Davenport called the meeting to order at 10:04.

**Agenda Item #2 – Introductions/Roll Call**

Mr. Davenport asked those present to introduce themselves and thanked the members of the Citizen's and Technical Committees for attending this special meeting.

**Agenda Item #3 – Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes**

Mr Davenport asked the committee to review the minutes from the September 5, 2012 meeting. Mr. Leonard made a motion to approve the minutes; it was seconded by Mr. Pritchard, the motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #4– Quarterly Financial Summary**

Mr. Hull reported that the MPO is on track for quarterly spending and all expenses are in line with past years.

**Agenda Item #5– Old Business**

None.

**Agenda Item #6 – Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment**

Mr. Davenport asked Mr. Hull to review the New Business items.

- A. Approval of Urban Area Boundary Adjustment – Resolution FY2013-4  
Mr. Hull presented the adjusted urban area boundary and described the process by which the staff used to meet with local governments to draw the new boundary. Mr. Hull noted that he also met with Brooks County officials as well to get their input on the urban area boundary in their jurisdiction. After a brief discussion Mr. Hanson made a motion to approve the Adjusted Urban Area Boundary as presented, it was seconded by Mr. Leonard, the motion carried unanimously.
  
- B. Mr. Davenport introduced Daniel Pass from GDOT to talk about the new GDOT Complete Streets Policy. Mr. Pass gave a detailed presentation on the formation of the policy and how it would be applied in the state of Georgia on various transportation projects. He noted that the complete streets policy needs to be relative to the context of the community and project it is being applied to, not all solutions work for all locations and projects. Mr. Pass answered several questions from the audience on the implementation and application of the policy on MPO and local projects.

**Agenda Item #7– Staff Update**

- A. FY13-16 Tip Administrative Amendment #1  
Mr. Hull presented an administrative amendment that VLMPO staff completed this amendment primarily to the Lump Sum funding. He also noted that cost updates had been applied to projects in the Tier 1 category.
  
- B. FY2014 Budget

Mr. Hull reported that the MPO will be receiving an additional \$3,000 in future years from our federal allocation, a slight increase over previous years. He also noted that the FY14 UPWP will be sent out in draft format before Thanksgiving.

C. 5303 Planning Funds Proposal

Mr. Hull reported the GDOT Intermodal is requesting proposals for supplemental planning funds. He reported that the VLMPO submitted a proposal to use these funds for socio-economic data development in anticipation of the next MPO Long Range Plan and for the County Comprehensive Plan. He noted that there would be a match requirement for the funds, paid for by Lowndes County and Valdosta. This will be brought before the Policy Committee for approval at a future date.

D. VLCIA Report

Mr. Hull asked Allan Ricketts to report on an upcoming event from the Chamber of Commerce and the Industrial Authority, where the VLMPO staff will be a keynote speaker on economic impact of freight transportation.

**Agenda Item #8- Privilege of the Floor/Public Comment**

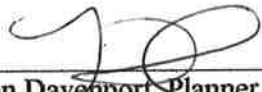
Mr. Gayle asked about an update on the Forrest Street project and what responsibilities is the City going to have. Mr. Hanson asked GDOT and the staff to keep the local governments informed on this matter.

**Agenda Item #9 - Next Meeting Date and Time**

Mr. Davenport noted that the next meeting date is December 5, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.

**Agenda Item #9 - Adjournment**

Mr. Gayle made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Mr. Hanson, the motion carried unanimously.



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