

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL

MINUTES

Holiday Inn Restaurant  
Lake City, Florida

October 26, 2000  
8:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Barrow, City of Gainesville  
Gib Coerper, City of Alachua  
William Copeland, City of Archer  
Dixie Donovan, Columbia County  
Steve Elder, Town of Micanopy  
Billy Ray Foister, Union County  
**Lorata Franklin, Madison County**  
Steve Futch, City of Starke  
Sandra Haas, Suwannee County  
Pegeen Hanrahan, City of Gainesville  
Grady Hartzog, City of Newberry  
E.W. Hodges, Bradford County  
**Ray Kirkland, City of Lake City**  
**Eddie Martin, Hawthorne**  
Judy McGhee, City of Madison  
**Dale McPherson, Alachua County**  
Dave Newport, Alachua County  
**Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak**  
Emory Philman, Gilchrist County  
Kathy Pults, City of High Springs  
**Joe Riddick, Bradford County**  
Edd Sadler, Taylor County  
**Lewis Vaughn, Hamilton County**

GUESTS PRESENT

Lloyd Adams  
Clarence Cannon  
Senator Richard Mitchell  
Representative Dwight Stansel  
Jon Wershow

**Board Members Names Bolded**

MEMBERS ABSENT

William Alexander, City of Perry  
Stephen Blakewood, Alachua County  
**Charles Chestnut, Alachua County**  
Chuck Chestnut, City of Gainesville  
**Louie Davis, City of Waldo**  
Mike Deming, Taylor County  
John Driggers, Dixie County  
Matthew Hawkins, City of Jasper  
Robert Hutchinson, Alachua County  
Ricky Jenkins, Union County  
Kathryn McInnis, Dixie County  
**James Montgomery, Columbia County**  
William Naulls, Alachua County  
Donald Odom, Suwannee County  
Tom Robinson, Alachua County  
Bill Shaw, Lafayette County  
Sue B. Suggs, Gilchrist County  
Jim Tompkins, Hamilton County  
Mike Woods, Madison County

STAFF PRESENT

Robin Barnes  
Steve Dopp  
Jim Emerson  
Charles Justice  
Charles Kiester  
Scott Koons  
Marcy Wilson

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Pat Reynolds

Chairman Kirkland called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and noted that a quorum was present.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - September 28, 2000

Chairman Kirkland asked that the minutes of the September 28, 2000, meeting be approved as written.

**ACTION: Commissioner Barrow made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Futch, to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2000, meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.**

II. CONSENT AGENDA - Annexation Services Agreement with City of Alachua

**ACTION: Commissioner Riddick made the motion, with a second by Mr. Hodges, to approve the Annexation Services Agreement with the City of Alachua. The motion carried unanimously.**

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Kirkland announced that Bill Copeland was planning on retiring from his City Commission seat for the City of Archer. He thanked Commissioner Copeland for his work on the Planning Council and Clearinghouse Committee.

IV. PRESENTATIONS TO SENATOR RICHARD MITCHELL AND REPRESENTATIVE DWIGHT STANSEL

Mayor Kirkland announced that Senator Richard Mitchell and Representative Dwight Stansel had been asked to the Council meeting to thank them for their efforts in support of planning councils throughout the state. Each of the legislators gave a brief talk and were presented with tokens of appreciation by the Council on behalf of the Florida Regional Councils Association.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee

1. Appointment of members to North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc. (ADCO)

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommended appointing a slate of members, list attached to these minutes and made a part hereof, to serve two year terms on the North Central Florida Areawide Development Co., Inc.

**ACTION: Commissioner Riddick made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Futch, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

2. Consider Future Meeting Locations

Mr. Justice reported that staff had looked into the prices paid for meals at the Holiday Inn in Lake City, as well as the Suwannee River Cove Restaurant. He noted that the cost of meals at the Cove was higher than in Lake City, the facility was not as comfortable, and the Executive Committee recommended changing all meetings to the Holiday Inn in Lake City, except the one meeting that was to be held in Alachua County each year.

**ACTION: Commissioner Elder made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Futch, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

3. Extension of Time for Former Landlord to Remove Personal Property

Mr. Justice reported that the Council's former landlord, Drew Koblar, had requested an extension of time to remove his personal property from the Council's premises. Mr. Justice informed members that the Council's original agreement with Mr. Koblar allowed him until November 4, 2000, to remove his personal property. Mr. Justice noted that an auction was scheduled for November 11 by Mr. Koblar, and a one-month grace period was usually allowed for the pick up of items sold at the auction.

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends giving a one-month extension, until December 4, 2000, to Drew Koblar to remove his personal property from the premises.

**ACTION: Commissioner Riddick made the motion, with a second by Mr. McPherson, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

B. Clearinghouse Committee

Local Government Comprehensive Plan Amendments

#1 - Town of Lee Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendments (DCA No. 99-1B)

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the Committee had reviewed the Town of Lee Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendments and had concluded that the

plan, as amended, will be consistent with the regional plan provided the town adopts proposed Town of Lee amendment CPA 00-1, which provides policy direction for the protection of areas of high recharge potential to the Floridan Aquifer, as mapped by the Suwannee River Water Management District. Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the Committee recommends forwarding this finding to the Town of Lee and the Florida Department of Community Affairs as regional comment.

**ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Hanrahan, to approve the recommendation of the Clearinghouse Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

#2 - City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendments (DCA No. 00-1)

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the second item reviewed by the Committee was the City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendments. He noted that the Committee concluded that the City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan, as amended, will be consistent with the regional plan provided the City adopts Newberry item CPA 00-4. He reminded members that the Council reviewed a draft version CPA 00-4 at last month's meeting and concluded it provided protection for the Floridan Aquifer in a manner consistent with the regional plan. Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the Committee recommends forwarding this finding to the City of Newberry and the Florida Department of Community Affairs as regional comment.

**ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson made the motion, with a second by Mayor Hartzog, to approve the recommendation of the Clearinghouse Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

#3 - City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment (DCA No. 00-2)

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the last item reviewed by the Committee was the City of Gainesville Comprehensive Plan Draft Amendment. He noted that City of Gainesville staff were present at tonight's meeting and indicated the City will amend their plan through the Evaluation and Appraisal amendment process to address Council concerns with regard to the protection of areas of high recharge potential to the Floridan Aquifer in a manner consistent with a 1998 Council recommendation made to the City on its draft Evaluation and Appraisal Report. Commissioner Hutchinson noted that, therefore, the Committee concluded the proposed amendment will not adversely affect natural resources of regional significance, regional facilities, or adjacent local governments with the understanding that the City will amend its plan to address the Council's concerns regarding the protection of high aquifer recharge areas.

Commissioner Hutchinson reported that the Committee recommends forwarding these findings to the City of Gainesville as well as the Florida Department of Community Affairs as regional comment.

**ACTION: Commissioner Hutchinson made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Hanrahan, to approve the recommendation of the Clearinghouse Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

C. Regional Planning Committee

Steve Dopp, of the Council staff, reported that the Executive Summary from the draft Evaluation and Appraisal Report for our regional plan as prepared by the Regional Planning Committee was included in the Council's packet.

He asked that members read the Executive Summary so that they might begin to focus their thoughts on any special concerns or changes they would like made to the report before it is submitted to the State. Mr. Dopp noted that a copy of the full report would be provided to Council members as part of the meeting packet for the December 7 meeting, at which time approval of the report and authorization to submit it would be requested. Mr. Dopp stated that early copies were available for the asking if anybody wanted them. Mr. McPherson suggested the document be put on the Council's website.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Growth Management Study Committee

Mr. Justice reported that he didn't have much to report, because there is only low-level activity taking place. He noted that several subcommittees had been formed to work on individual parts of their charge, one of interest to planning councils is the "State, Regional and Local Roles Committee." He noted that the role this subcommittee is assuming is to determine what the compelling state interests are, what DCA's role ought to be, the DRI process and its necessity, as well as the role of regional planning councils.

B. I-75 Corridor Council

Mr. Justice reported that the I-75 Corridor Council was having some success. He noted that this Council was chaired by Commissioner Penny Wheat from Alachua County who was doing an outstanding job. He noted that \$500,000 was being made available to study the corridor from the border all the way down to Wildwood. He further reported that, in addition, for the FY 2002, there would be \$1.5 million available for implementation, and for each of the next two years, there is \$1 million dollars for each of those years for

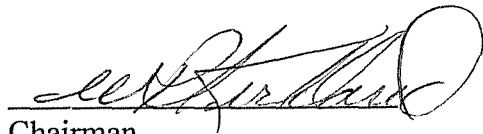
implementation. He noted that a final \$2 million would be received for the two years after that for a total of 5 years. Mr. Justice noted that with that much money, the interchanges should look better. He noted that two websites put together by the consultant are: <http://i75floridagateway.com> and <http://i75project.com>.

Commissioner Elder reported that he was on the I-75 Corridor Council, and noted that attendance by other cities and counties along the I-75 corridor was appallingly scarce at the meetings, and a quorum hadn't been reached in over a year. He reprimanded the individuals who were supposed to be attending these meetings, and asked for better participation.

Mr. Justice also reported that the North Central Florida Economic Development Partnership had finished some international work in Brazil, and last year Mexico City, which was sponsored by the Governor's office. He noted that our partnership organization was the only rural participation at these meetings. Mr. Justice reported that there was more international opportunities for economic development on the horizon.

Chairman Kirkland announced that the next meeting of the Council was scheduled to be held at the Suwannee River Cove Restaurant in Branford on December 7, 2000.

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



Chairman

12-13-00  
Date

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA AREA WIDE DEVELOPMENT CO., INC.

MEMBERSHIP (FY 2000-2001)

ALACHUA COUNTY

Steve Blakewood  
Leveda Brown  
(E) Charles S. Chestnut, III  
(E) Gib Coerper  
(E) Bill Copeland  
Thomas Coward  
(E) Louie Davis  
(E) Steve Elder  
(E) Pegeen Hanrahan  
(L) Kip Harrison  
(E) Eddie Martin  
Dale McPherson  
(L) Carl Miller  
Willie Naulls  
Tom Robinson  
Bob Rohrlack

BRADFORD COUNTY

E. W. Hodges  
(L) Jeff Oody  
(E) Joe Riddick

COLUMBIA COUNTY

(L) Lloyd Adams  
(L) Clarence Cannon  
(E) Ray Kirkland  
(E) James Montgomery  
Jim Poole

DIXIE COUNTY

(E) John L. Driggers  
Kathryn McInnis

GILCHRIST COUNTY

Emory Philman

HAMILTON COUNTY

(E) Matthew Hawkins  
(E) Lewis Vaughn

LAFAYETTE COUNTY

(E) Bill Shaw

MADISON COUNTY

Lorata Franklin  
(E) Judy McGhee

MARION COUNTY

Phil Geist  
(L) Gary L. Platt  
(L) John Tight

SUWANNEE COUNTY

(E) Garth Nobles  
(E) Donald Odom

TAYLOR COUNTY

(E) Bill Alexander  
(E) Edd Sadler

UNION COUNTY

Billy Ray Foister

(E) Elected Official  
(L) Lending Institution