

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL
MINUTES

Holiday Inn Restaurant
Lake City, Florida

January 23, 2003
8:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Carlson, Alachua County
Chuck Chestnut, City of Gainesville
Minnie Crevasse, Alachua County
David Dodge, Bradford County
Tony Domenech, City of Gainesville
Dixie Donovan, Columbia County
John Driggers, Dixie County
Roy Ellis, Madison County
Steve Futch, City of Starke
James King, Madison County
Ray Kirkland, City of Lake City
Eddie Martin, Hawthorne
James Montgomery, Columbia County
William Naulls, Alachua County
L. B. Nelson, City of Archer
Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak
Lee Pinkoson, Alachua County
Tamara Robbins, City of Alachua
Edd Sadler, Taylor County
Lorene Thomas, Dixie County
Douglas Udell, Suwannee County
Myra Valentine, City of Madison
Penny Wheat, Alachua County

STAFF PRESENT

Robin Barnes
Steve Dopp
Charles Justice
Scott Koons
Carol Laine

MEMBERS ABSENT

William Alexander, City of Perry
Ed Braddy, City of Gainesville
Wilbur Bush, Gilchrist County
Cynthia Moore Chestnut, Alachua County
Melaine "Red" Clyatt, Union County
John Cooper, Bradford County
Bill Coughlin, City of High Springs
Louie Davis, City of Waldo
Gail Garrard, Lafayette County
Sandra Haas, Suwannee County
Alan Hammock, Union County
Grady Hartzog, City of Newberry
Matthew Hawkins, City of Jasper
Charles Maultsby, Taylor County
Emory Philman, Gilchrist County
Kathy Pults, City of High Springs
Paul L. Remzey Samarrai, Town of Micanopy
Jim Tompkins, Hamilton County
Lewis Vaughn, Hamilton County

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Joye Brown, DOT
Marvin Miller, DEP

GUESTS PRESENT

Buddy Crevasse
Consuelo Dodge
Jon Wershow

Board Members names are bolded

Chairman Montgomery stated at 7:40 p.m. that a portion of the Director's Report would be presented at this time and any items requiring action would be discussed after 8:00 p.m.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. I-75 Corridor - Program Presentation

Mr. Justice introduced Commissioner Penny Wheat who gave a presentation on the I-75 Corridor project status.

Mr. Justice then introduced Scott Koons, Assistant Executive Director for the Planning Council, who gave a presentation on the I-75 Interchange Development Program Study completed by the Council in cooperation with the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council to develop the 22 interchanges on Interstate 75 between the Georgia border and Wildwood, Florida. The project was funded by a planning grant awarded to the Council by the U.S. Economic Development Administration.

Chairman Montgomery called the meeting to order at 8:16.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - December 5, 2002

Chairman Montgomery asked that the minutes of the December 5, 2002 meeting be approved as written.

ACTION: Commissioner Martin made the motion, with a second by Mayor Kirkland, to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2002, meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Community Development Block Grant Assistance Agreements

1. Town of Mayo - Housing Project - \$87,500
2. City of Trenton - Neighborhood Revitalization - \$50,000

B. Transportation Disadvantaged Program

1. Competitive Procurement Process - Lafayette County
2. Coordinating Board Membership Certifications - Dixie and Gilchrist Counties
3. Union County Community Transportation Coordinator Selection

Chairman Montgomery asked if there were questions regarding the items listed on the Consent Agenda, and requested that these items be approved.

ACTION: Mr. Dodge made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - James Montgomery

Chairman Montgomery introduced and welcomed a new member from Alachua County, Commissioner Lee Pinkoson.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

Finance Committee Chairman Sadler reported that the Finance Committee had met and reviewed the Fiscal Year 2001-2002 Annual Audit as prepared by Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants. He stated that the audit conforms with both federal regulations and the rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida.

ACTION: Finance Committee Chairman Sadler made the motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2001-2002 Annual Audit and to authorize final payment to the auditor. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Nominating Committee

Nominating Committee Chairman Kirkland reported that the Nominating Committee had met on May 23, 2002 and selected a slate of officers and Board of Directors for Council consideration.

1. Election of Officers

Louie Davis, Chairman
Edd Sadler, Vice-Chairman
Eddie Martin, Secretary/Treasurer
James Montgomery, Immediate Past Chairman
Charles Maultsby, Member

2. Election of Board of Directors

Charles (Chuck) S. Chestnut, IV, City of Gainesville
Ray Kirkland, Lake City

Lewis Vaughn, Hamilton County
Gail Garrard, Lafayette County
Roy Ellis, Madison County
Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak
Willie Naulls, Gubernatorial Appointee, Alachua County
Dixie Donovan, Gubernatorial Appointee, Columbia County
Lorene Thomas, Gubernatorial Appointee, Dixie County
Emory Philman, Gubernatorial Appointee, Gilchrist County

ACTION: Nominating Committee Chairman Kirkland made the motion to elect the slate of nominations to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors as recommended by the Nominating Committee and that the Executive Committee and Board of Directors serve through May 2004. The motion carried unanimously.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Continued)

B. Developments of Regional Impact

1. Status of Fee Challenge

Mr. Wershow stated that he had been informed by the assistant to the administrative law judge that the hearing date had still not been determined. Mr. Wershow added that there should be a date set within the next week.

2. Current Review Activities

Mr. Justice stated that the proposed changes to the Spring Hills Development of Regional Impact are anticipated to be filed with the Council for review in the near future.

Mr. Justice reported that two more Developments of Regional Impact, Avmed and Butler Plaza, may be filed in the near future.

Mr. Justice stated that the proposed governor's budget for regional planning councils is \$1,960,000.

Mr. Justice informed the Council that the Governor has proposed combining the Florida Department of Community Affairs with the Department of State and the new department would be called the Department of State and Community Partnerships.

Mr. Justice reported that South Trust Bank is still in the process of refinancing the Council's note to reduce the effective interest rate from 5.35% to 4.54%.

Chairman Montgomery announced that the next meeting of the Council is scheduled to be held at the Holiday Inn, Lake City, on February 27, 2003, at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Chairman

Date