

FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF: July 17, 2014

MEETING NUMBER: 203

The two hundred and third meeting of the Florida Transportation Commission was held on July 17, 2014, at the J.W. Marriott Grande Lakes Orlando (Palazzo Ballroom), 4040 Central Florida Parkway, Orlando, Florida.

ATTENDANCE:

Members in attendance were: Chairman Howse, Commissioners Browning, Ferré, Frazier, Kigel, Sebesta, and Wright. Commissioners Ellington and Trumbull were unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Howse called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. He opened the meeting with the announcement of Bob Romig's appointment as the new interim Executive Director of the Commission. The Chairman, on behalf of the Commission, presented Tom DiGiacomo with a plaque and thanked him for his three year service with the Commission.

Minutes from the May 7, 2014 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made to accept the minutes and the motion was seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.

Chairman Howse recognized two Commissioners for special achievements: Commissioner Ferré received the Henry Flagler Community Builder Award from the Miami Chamber on June 9. Senator Sebesta was nominated as this year's recipient of the CUTR Transportation Achievement Award. The award ceremony will be held in October 2014.

Chairman Howse recognized recent travel and activities performed by the Commissioners and FTC staff since the last FTC meeting:

- Commissioner Ferré attended the Miami Chamber Freight Logistics and Trade Conference in May.
- Chairman Howse, Commissioners Kigel and Ferré attended the Miami Tunnel Opening on May 19.
- Mark and Tom attended the Emerald Coast Transportation Symposium in Pensacola Beach on May 29-30. Mark gave the Fuel Tax presentation.
- Commissioner Browning toured the Florida Spaceport on June 23.
- Mark attended the FutureDrive Conference in Denver on June 25-27.
- Senator Sebesta assisted with the FDOT Future Corridors Presentation to the Tampa Bay Partnership on July 2.
- Commissioner Browning attended the FDOT Media event at the Daytona International Speedway Media Center July 4 for the Firecracker 250.

AGENCY REPORT:

Secretary Prasad was in Washington D.C. attending the ARTBA P3 Conference. Jim Boxold, FDOT Chief of Staff, presented the Agency Report. Jim reported on the following:

- Announced the filling of significant positions. Tom DiGiacomo joined FDOT as Senior Policy Advisor.
- HB 7175 has been signed by Governor Scott.
- Commented on the new CFX and discussed the impacts on FDOT.
- Federal Highway Trust Fund/Reauthorization Update: Impacts to Department Work Program (should Congress fail to act).
- Commented on Representative Dan Webster's TIFIA 2.0 proposal.
- Provided an update on Ultimate I-4 project.

ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OVERSIGHT REPORT AND RESPONSES FROM THE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES:

Rick Gallant, FTC Finance Manager, presented the results from this year's Annual Transportation Authorities Monitoring and Oversight Report. Rick presented the individual authority results and representatives from each authority responded to their respective portion of the report. Chairman Howse made a motion to adopt the report, the motion was seconded and was carried unanimously. The report was approved and adopted by the Commission.

CONCLUSION:

Two agenda items were deferred to a future meeting date: (1) Wetland Mitigation Banking, and (2) Freight Mobility and Trade Plan.

The FTC will be hosting the Transportation Boards and Commissions meeting at SASHTO in New Orleans on August 25. The purpose of the meeting will be a discussion on finding revenue alternatives to the fuel tax.

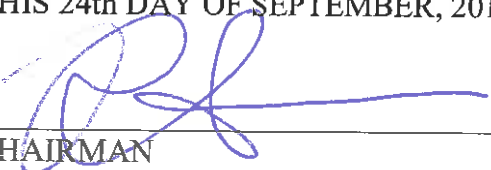
The next regular meeting of the FTC will be held on September 23-24 in Tampa, Florida.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Howse opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received.

ADJOURN: Chairman Howse adjourned the meeting at 12:00 P.M.

MINUTES APPROVED: ✓ AS READ _____ AS AMENDED

THIS 24th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014.



CHAIRMAN

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