

FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF: September 24, 2014

MEETING NUMBER: 204

The two hundred and fourth meeting of the Florida Transportation Commission was held on September 24, 2014, at the Port Tampa Bay Authority Board Room, 1101 Channelside Drive, Tampa, Florida.

ATTENDANCE:

Members in attendance were: Chairman Howse, Commissioners Browning, Ellington, Ferré, Frazier, Kigel, Sebesta, Trumbull, and Wright.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Howse called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

Minutes from the July 17, 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 Senator Sebesta who is 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:

- Chairman Howse spoke at the Florida Transportation Builders' Association (FTBA) Annual meeting in August.
- Bob Romig made a presentation on Future Corridors to the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council on August 11.
- Mark Reichert gave the fuel tax presentation to the Regional Transportation Alliance in Chipley on August 11th. The Alliance adopted a resolution in support of alternative transportation funding.
- FTC Commissioners hosted the Boards and Commissioners meeting at SASHTO in New Orleans on August 25.
- Senator Sebesta attended the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) Symposium at Port Tampa Bay on August 29.
- Commissioner Ferre and Mark Reichert attended the ITS World Congress in Detroit the week of September 8.
- Bob Romig attended the IBTTA Annual Conference in Austin, Texas the week of September 15. Commissioner Ferre attended the Conference for MDX.
- Chairman Howse attended the Florida Chamber roll-out of the Trade and Logistics Plan.

Investment Element of the Freight Mobility and Trade Plan/Autonomous Vehicle Updates:

Rich Biter, Assistant Secretary for Intermodal Systems Development, FDOT provided an update on the Investment Element of the Freight Mobility and Trade Plan. He also provided the latest news on the Autonomous Vehicle Initiative.

2013/2014 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF THE FDOT:

One of the major statutory responsibilities of the Commission is the oversight of the performance, production and fiscal management of the FDOT. Leann Livingston presented the 2013/2014 Annual Performance Review of the FDOT.

Secretary Ananth Prasad was unable to attend the meeting. Brian Blanchard, Assistant Secretary for Engineering and Operations (on behalf of Secretary Prasad), along with the seven district secretaries and Turnpike Enterprise Executive Director were present and participated in the review. Presentations included responses to the Performance Measures as well as Challenges and Opportunities for the FY 2014/15 reporting period.

During Turnpike Executive Director Diane Scaccetti's response to the Performance Review, Commissioner Browning asked about the toll violation process. He wanted to know what happens when a violation occurs when someone other than the vehicle owner is driving. After her response, Chairman Howse asked for this item to be placed on our next meeting agenda for Ms. Scaccetti to give a more detailed overview of the toll violation process.

In accordance with the FTC's statutorily mandated responsibilities, Chairman Howse opened the floor for a motion to approve the adoption of the 2013/2014 Annual Performance Review of the FDOT. A motion was made and seconded to approve and adopt the Review. The Review was unanimously approved by the Commission. Chairman Howse congratulated Secretary Prasad and FDOT staff for their hard work and great service to the people of Florida as reflected in the Review.

AGENCY REPORT:

Brian Blanchard, on behalf of Secretary Prasad, presented the Agency Report. Assistant Secretary Blanchard reported on the following:

- Announced the filling of significant positions.
- Provided comments on the advancement of \$807 million in projects.
- Provided an update on the Future Corridors initiative.
- Discussed the latest information the Managed Lanes system.
- Provided an overview of the plan for Reauthorization now that the Federal Highway Trust Fund has a temporary fix.
- Commented on the Reason Foundation Performance of State Highway Systems Report.

CONCLUSION:


The next regular meeting and workshop of the FTC will be held on November 17-18 in Tallahassee, Florida.

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

ADJOURN: Chairman Howse adjourned the meeting at 12:30 P.M.

MINUTES APPROVED: ✓ AS READ AS AMENDED

THIS 18th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2014.



CHAIRMAN

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