## FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

#### MINUTES OF September 26, 2013

#### **MEETING NUMBER 198**

The one hundred and ninety eighth meeting of the Florida Transportation Commission was held on September 26, 2013, at the Wyndham Bay Point Resort, Grand Lagoon Ballroom, 4114 Jan Cooley Drive, Panama City Beach, Florida. Chairman Ron Howse called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. (C.S.T) and provided opening comments.

#### **ATTENDANCE**:

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

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

- Chairman Howse began the meeting by welcoming one new Commissioner, Ken Wright of Orlando. The Chairman invited the new Commissioner to introduce himself.
- Chairman Howse then requested a motion to approve the minutes for the July FTC meeting.
- The Chairman recognized recent travel and activities performed by the Commissioners and FTC staff.
  - 1. Chairman Howse and Tom DiGiacomo attended the Annual FTBA Conference, during the  $2^{\rm nd}$  week of August.
  - 2. The Commission and the Reason Foundation hosted the MBUF Symposium in Tallahassee on August  $15^{\rm th}$ .
  - 3. The last week of August, Commissioners Kigel and Ferré, along with Mark Reichert and Tom, represented the Commission at the 2013 SASHTO Conference in Asheville, N.C.
  - On September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, the Chairman, Mark and Tom attended the Sayfie Leadership Summit in Orlando.
  - 5. The Chairman and Tom traveled to D.C. to attend the Florida Ports Council Washington Fly-In, on September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19th.
  - 6. Tom and Mark met with Sen. Clemens on September 23<sup>rd</sup> to brief him on the August MBUF Symposium.
- Finally, before listening to Sec. Prasad's Agency Report, a plaque honoring the service of Earl Durden was presented to his widow, Karen Durden. Mr. Durden served on the Commission from March 1999 to March 2007 and served as Chairman for 2 of those years.

# Performance and Production Review of the FDOT for FY 2012/2013:

 FTC staff members Mark Reichert and Leann Livingston made the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual presentation of this report.

### **AGENCY REPORT:**

Ananth Prasad, FDOT Secretary, provided updates on the following:

- The filling of significant positions.
- Status of key vacancies statewide.
- Preview of FDOT Legislative Package
- Thoughts on 2014 Legislative Session
- Governor's Tax Cut Proposal (impacts on tag fees)

#### AGENCY REPORT, (continued):

- Status of SunRail and All Aboard Florida Projects
- Comment on Florida TIGER Grant awards
- Economic Development Transportation Fund (aka the "Road Fund")
- Secretary Prasad discussed meetings/conferences attended as well as the ones which are upcoming.

Finally, Sec. Prasad addressed the statewide results of the performance review.

## FDOT Districts/Turnpike Enterprise Response to Performance and Production Review:

- Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti, Turnpike Director Paul Steinman, District Seven Secretary
- Gus Pego, District Six Secretary
- Noranne Downs, District Five Secretary
- Jim Wolfe, District Four Secretary
- Tommy Barfield, District Three Secretary

NONE

Greg Evans, District Two Secretary

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** 

• Billy Hattaway, District One Secretary

The Commission APPROVED the Performance and Production Review for submission to the Governor and Legislature.

CONCLUSION: The next FTC meeting will be held on Decemb	er 12, 2013 in Tallahassee, Florida.
ADJOURN: Chairman Howse adjourned the FTC meeting at 1:2	20 P.M.
MINUTES APPROVED: AS READ	AS AMENDED
THIS 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013.	
CHAIRMAN	

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