

MINUTES
Island Transportation Planning Organization

March 14, 2016 - 2:00 p.m.
Holmes Beach City Hall
Patricia A Geyer Commission Chambers
5801 Marina Dr, Holmes Beach, FL

- 1. Chair Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.**
- 2. Pledge to the Flag**
- 3. Roll Call**

Present: Holmes Beach Mayor Johnson; Anna Maria Mayor Murphy; Bradenton Beach Mayor Shearon; Roxann Lake, FDOT; David Hutchinson, MPO Executive Director; Lynn Burnett, TAC Advisory Board Member; and Claudia Carlson, CAC Advisory Board Member.

Also Present: Holmes Beach Assistant Deputy Clerk Wynn; Manatee County Commissioner Whitmore; Holmes Beach Commissioner Soustek; and Bradenton Beach Commissioner Vosburgh.

Press: The Islander.

Absent: AMI Sun.

- 4. Approval of January 19, 2016 Minutes**

**MOTION BY MAYOR SHEARON TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 19, 2016 MINUTES.
MOTION SECONDED BY MAYOR MURPHY. MOTION APPROVED. ALL AYE.**

- 5. Review of January 25, 2016 MPO Board Meeting – David Hutchinson**
Mr. Hutchinson gave a brief update of last month's meeting.

- 6. Preview of March 28, 2016 MPO Board Meeting – David Hutchinson**
Mr. Hutchinson briefly explained the upcoming agenda items.

- 7. FDOT Report – Roxann Lake**
Ms. Lake gave a brief update on the new Anna Maria Island bridge replacement design.

- 8. FDOT Presentation, "Barrier Islands Study" - Tricia Labud**
Ms. Labud, FDOT Traffic Operations, gave a presentation on the Barrier Islands Study. (See Exhibit A)

LK Nanaam, FDOT Traffic Operations Engineer, stated once the consultant is selected, a Steering Committee will be created to include local representatives ensuring local knowledge and input is incorporated. The Consultant is selected by a Technical Review Committee.

Ms. Burnett recommended someone from the Island be a part of the Technical Review Committee.

Mr. Nanaam suggested the Technical Review Committee have a conversation with *Ms. Burnett* to get details and local knowledge.

Mayor Johnson stated the key is setting the right scope.

Mayor Murphy voiced concerns about Event Management Consultants being temporary fixes. He said the Island's season is constant and temporary fixes are not the answer.

Mayor Shearon stated the Island has many events.

Discussion continued.

Mayor Shearon asked if the study is going to be funded, and the timeline of completion.

Ms. Lake stated once the scope has been finalized FDOT can determine how it will be funded, scheduled, and the timing of the project. Once this is complete, the MPO will need to prioritize the project, include it in their annual list of projects, and submit to FDOT.

Discussion continued.

Update on Bradenton Beach sidewalk and Coastguard Bridge Openings - LK Nanaam

Mr. Nanaam stated the sidewalk design is complete and once the easement is recorded, the contractor will be issued a work order to build the sidewalk.

Mr. Nanaam stated there is nothing new to report from the Coast Guard on the bridge openings.

9. Discussion: Phase 1 - AMI Island - Wide Bike/Pedestrian Plan Improvements - Project Cost Estimate - Lynn Burnett & Claudia Carlson

Ms. Burnett gave a detailed explanation of the Bike Path project, with cost estimates, goals, and phases.

Mayor Murphy stated recently he was at the same event as Congressman Buchanan and the conversation of bike paths came up. Mr. Buchanan, being an avid cyclist and Chairman of a House Subcommittee on Bicycling, stated he could help with the funding. Congressman Buchanan put Mayor Murphy in touch with Gary Tibbetts. Mayor Murphy agreed to set up a meeting with Gary Tibbetts, Island Mayors, and *Ms. Burnett* to present the proposed plan.

Discussion continued.

10. Advisory Member Reports:

a. CAC Report - Claudia Carlson

Claudia Carlson gave a brief report on Anna Maria bike path maps being made by the county

b. TAC Report - Lynn Burnett

Ms. Burnett stated she provided a detailed report with the packet materials.

1. Request to Manatee County for 119th Street-Cortez Road Roundabout Feasibility Study with recommended improvements to be included in FDOT FY2017-2018 Project Priority List

Ms Burnett stated FDOT has moved forward with improvements for the 119th Street intersection.

Discussion continued.

CONSENSUS WAS NO ACTION WAS NEEDED AT THIS TIME

11. Member Comments:

- a) **Anna Maria Mayor Murphy** - None
- b) **Holmes Beach Mayor Johnson** - None
- c) **Bradenton Beach Mayor Shearon** - None

12. Public Comment

Alex Wagenaar – Voiced his concerns about traffic, needing to reduce the number of cars coming to the Island; Businesses suffer and residents are leaving. He encouraged the Mayors to take the issue seriously.

Nancy Deal – Stated the Barrier Island Study will include Hurricane evacuation routes. She said she likes the idea of a Park-n-Ride lot and area businesses would like to be a part of a group getting it started. She noted by using the Park-n-Ride as a welcome center; bicycles could be available to rent, shuttles available, provide incentives to ride, and an information stand.

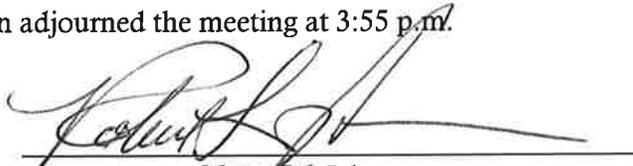
T-Jet Martin handed out a document of different Florida bridge openings. (See Exhibit B)

Mr. Hutchinson stated the MPO has cancelled the July meeting.

Mayor Johnson stated the July ITPO meeting will be penciled in and a decision will be made closer to the date.

13. Date of next meeting: Monday, April 11, 2016 - 2:00 p.m. - City of Holmes Beach.

14. Adjournment: Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.



Mayor Bob Johnson

ATTEST:



Brenda Wynn
Assistant Deputy Clerk

NOTE: This is not a verbatim record.