
December 05, 2024 TPO TAC

**Polk County Administration Building
330 W. Church Street, Room 413
Bartow, FL 33830**

Introduction

1. Call to Order - 9:00 a.m. (Bob Wiegers, Chairman)

Minutes: Chairman, Bob Wiegers brought the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Confirmation of Quorum

Minutes: KC Rivera confirmed a quorum was present for this meeting. In attendance were:

Members:

Bob Wiegers, Chair, City of Bartow
Tess Schwartz, Vice-Chair, City of Lakeland
James Phillips, City of Lakeland
Chuck Barmby, City of Lakeland
Sean Byers, City of Winter Haven
Ted Adkins, City of Haines City
Richard Ranck, CFRPC
Marisa Barmby, Frostproof
Jay Jarvis, Polk County Roads and Drainage
Ben Ziskal, Polk County Planning
Carlie Flagler, Citrus Connection

Others present:

Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO Executive Director
Lorenzo Thomas, Polk TPO Staff
Julia Davis, Polk TPO Staff
Angela Kaufman, Polk TPO Staff
Isai Chavez, Polk TPO Staff
Brittany Silva, Polk Communications

Edith Perez, FDOT
William Roll, Kimley-Horn
Siasoi Fine, FDOT - Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
Jimmy Vilce - FDOT
Nicole Maunster - Metric

3. Previous Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Minutes: The October 3, 2024, TAC Meeting Minutes were reviewed and approved unanimously with Chuck Barmby making the motion and Carlie Flagler seconding the motion.

4. Agenda Review - Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO Executive Director

Minutes: Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO Executive Director, provided the agenda review.

Action Items

5. Review/Approve Amendments to FY 2024/25 - 2028/29 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Minutes: Angela Kaufman, Polk TPO Staff, provided a presentation of the draft FY 2024/25 - 2028/29 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments. The amendments included LAMTD FTA Section 5307 Poinciana and Four Corners Small Urban Area Capital and Operating funds for projects 455571-1, 455571-2, 455572-1, 455572-2 and Federal funds added to the project 449276-1 which is SR 60 from west of Saddlebag Lake Road to East of Tiger Lake Road resurfacing.

A motion was made by James Phillips and seconded by Chuck Barmby and was approved unanimously.

6. FDOT and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise FY 2025/26 - 2029/30 Draft Work Programs for Polk County

Minutes: Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO Executive Director, provided a presentation on the FDOT and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise FY 2025/26 - 2029/30 Draft Work Programs for Polk County.

A discussion started by Chuck Barmby ensued related to a Highway 98 issue with Bartow Road's sidewalks and connectivity. He asked if this issue could be put into the Work Program. Ryan Kordek stated he would take this issue to the TPO Board.

A motion was made by Jay Jarvis, seconded by Carlie Flagler, and approved unanimously.

Presentations and Status Reports

7. Tradeport Boulevard Feasibility Study from State Road 33 to Walt Williams

Road (FPID: 447989-1)

Minutes: Nicole Mauntrter, Metric Project Manager which is a consultant for FDOT, presented the project study conducted for the various route options for Tradeport Boulevard. Using the public's input, the suggested routes were prioritized.

8. Envision 2050 Revenue Forecast

Minutes: William Roll of Kimley-Horn, provided a presentation explaining the anticipated revenue forecast for the 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan (Envision 2050) update.

9. Priority Transportation Project Application Cycle

Minutes: Angela Kaufman, Polk TPO Staff, provided a presentation informing and explaining the Priority Projects application, the application cycle, and key dates.

Bob Wiegers asked for an updated Priority Transportation Project fact sheet with a complete list of important dates and if this could be sent out. Angela Kaufman stated this will be done.

Communications and Reports

10. 2025 TAC Meeting Schedule

Minutes: Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO Executive Director, presented the proposed 2025 TPO TAC and Board Meeting Calendar to the committee members.

11. Northeast Polk County Transportation Study Meeting - December 10th

Minutes: Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO Executive Director, invited committee members and their related staff members to attend the meeting to discuss the development of the Northeast area of Polk County as it relates to the 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan.

12. Committee Member Comments

Minutes: Marrisa Barmby expressed an opportunity related to the local immigration strategies (transportation hazards) to reduce fatalities and hazards.

William Roll stated the Resiliency Plan is about the large hazards such as major weather events that are part of the cost feasibility plan.

Jay Jarvis stated that Bill Skelton is retiring at the end of the year and his specific duties will be divided up with different staff members.

Bob Wiegers wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

13. Adjournment - The next Committee Meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2025.

Minutes: The meeting was adjourned and the next meeting will be on January 23, 2025.

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