

NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL
MINUTES

Holiday Inn Restaurant
Lake City, Florida

July 25, 2002
8:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ed Braddy, City of Gainesville
Chuck Chestnut, City of Gainesville
John Carlson, Alachua County
Minnie Crevasse, Alachua County
David Dodge, Bradford County
Tony Domenech, City of Gainesville
Dixie Donovan, Columbia County
Roy Ellis, Madison County
Steve Futch, City of Starke
Matthew Hawkins, City of Jasper
Ray Kirkland, City of Lake City
Eddie Martin, Hawthorne
Charles Maultsby, Taylor County
James Montgomery, Columbia County
Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak
Tamara Robbins, City of Alachua
Edd Sadler, Taylor County
Lorene Thomas, Dixie County
Myra Valentine, City of Madison
Penny Wheat, Alachua County

STAFF PRESENT

Robin Barnes
Steve Dopp
Jim Emerson
Charles Justice
Scott Koons
Dorcas Ramseur

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT

Joye Brown, DOT
Marvin Miller, DEP

MEMBERS ABSENT

William Alexander, City of Perry
Wilbur Bush, Gilchrist County
Melaine "Red" Clyatt, Union County
John Cooper, Bradford County
Bill Coughlin, City of High Springs
Louie Davis, City of Waldo
John Driggers, Dixie County
Gail Garrard, Lafayette County
Grady Hartzog, City of Newberry
Sandra Haas, Suwannee County
Alan Hammock, Union County
Robert Hutchinson, Alachua County
James King, Madison County
William Nauls, Alachua County
L. B. Nelson, City of Archer
Dave Newport, Alachua County
Emory Philman, Gilchrist County
Kathy Pults, City of High Springs
Paul L. Remzey Samarrai, Town of Micanopy
Jim Tompkins, Hamilton County
Douglas Udell, Suwannee County
Lewis Vaughn, Hamilton County

GUESTS PRESENT

Ralph Bowers
Tom Coward
Consuelo Dodge
E. W. Hodges
Dale McPherson
Pete Sullivan

Board Members Names Bolded

Chairman Montgomery called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., and noted that a quorum of the Council was not present. He announced that only Board members were able to vote.

Chairman Montgomery asked that the minutes of the May 23, 2002, meeting be approved as written.

ACTION: Commissioner Martin made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2002, meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Montgomery asked that an Agreement with Taylor County for comprehensive planning services be added as Item II.E., and Item II.C Revised Agreement with the North Central Florida Areawide Development Company (ADCO) to Provide Staff Support, be moved off the Consent Agenda and added as Item No. 5 under Item IV.A Committee Reports, Executive Committee.

ACTION: Commissioner Martin made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the consent agenda as revised. The motion carried unanimously.

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - James Montgomery

A. Introduction of New Members.

Chairman Montgomery introduced and welcomed two new members representing the City of Gainesville. Commissioners Tony Domenech and Ed Braddy.

Chairman Montgomery acknowledged Mayor Sonny Nobles as the new Mayor of Live Oak. He also recognized former Council member Mr. Pete Sullivan who sat in as a guest.

B. Resolutions of Appreciation.

Chairman Montgomery asked that resolutions of appreciation be approved for gubernatorial appointee representing Alachua County on the Council, Mr. Thomas A. Robinson, of Robinshore, Inc. and Ms. Catherine Nix, who served as the Florida Department of Elder Affairs representative on the Bradford County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

ACTION: Mayor Kirkland made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the resolutions of appreciation for Mr. Thomas A. Robinson and Ms. Catherine Nix. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive Committee

1. Local Government Comprehensive Planning Assistance Services Agreements.

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends authorization be given to the Chairman to enter into technical assistance services agreements on an at-cost basis to assist counties and cities with implementing comprehensive plans and land development regulations.

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Martin, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Transportation Disadvantaged Program - 2002-2003 Planning Grant Resolution.

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends approval of a resolution authorizing the filing of the 2002-2003 planning grant application on behalf of Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee and Union Counties.

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Mayor Kirkland, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Community Development Block Grant Agreement Amendments.

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends approval of entering into technical assistance agreement amendments with Bradford County (housing) \$89,000, and City of Madison (commercial revitalization grant) \$8,500, to provide additional assistance with the administration of their Fiscal Year 2001 Community Development Block Grants. These agreement amendments will be funded with Community Development Block Grant funds

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Martin, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Proposal to Increase Council Attorney Fee for Formal Litigation Functions and Development of Regional Impact (DRI) Work.

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends approval of an increase in the fee paid to the Council Attorney for formal litigation functions and DRI work to \$200 per hour.

ACTION: Mayor Kirkland made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Chestnut, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

- II. C. Revised Agreement with the North Central Florida Areawide Development Company (ADCO) to Provide Staff Support.

Mr. Justice reported that the Executive Committee recommends approval of entering into a revised agreement with ADCO to continue to provide staff services to that organization for compensation based on an hourly rate equal to the cost of appropriate employees, with an additional provision that when ADCO has insufficient funds to pay for services, those charges will be carried as a receivable.

ACTION: Mayor Kirkland made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Martin, to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

- B. Regional Planning Committee - Chairman's Report.

Chairman Montgomery stated that due to lack of a quorum of the Council, the Regional Planning Committee items will be discussed at the next meeting.

- C. Nominating Committee.

Chairman Montgomery stated that due to lack of a quorum of the Council, no action will be taken until the next meeting.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. Status of Process to Resolve DRI Fee Challenge.

Mr. Justice reported that staff and the Council Attorney will participate in a mediation session that the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) has requested be held for its review of the DRI fee challenge by the Alachua West applicant.

Mr. Justice discussed future methods of fee payments in excess of \$75,000.

Commissioner Penny Wheat made a recommendation that Council staff bring to the next meeting options concerning procedures for collecting DRI fees in excess of \$75,000.

ACTION: Commissioner Chestnut made the motion, with a second by Mayor Kirkland, to approve the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Staff Reorganization - Relating to Resignation and Retirement.

Mr. Justice reported that Assistant Executive Director, Charles L. Kiestler, will be retiring from the Council in September. He further reported that Administrative Secretary, Marcy Wilson, has submitted her resignation from the Council to pursue another career. She will be leaving in August.

C. Reorganization of Staff Services for the Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA).

Mr. Justice reported that Public Affairs Coordinator, employed through the Apalachee Regional Planning Council, Ms. Sheri Coven, has resigned and taken the position of Executive Director of the Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association. The executive directors will be discussing future staffing options for the association.

D. Status of Contracts with the Governor's Office of Tourism, Trade and Economic Development.

Mr. Justice reported that the Governor's office paid the Council for the monies owed them.

E. Developments of Regional Impact (DRI)

Mr. Justice discussed the Springhill upcoming DRI. He also discussed the Butler Plaza upcoming DRI.

Chairman Montgomery announced that the next meeting of the Council is scheduled to be held at the Holiday Inn, Lake City, on August 22, 2002, at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Chairman

Date