

**MINUTES OF THE LEE COUNTY MPO BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN  
COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

**Held on December 18, 2012**

The meeting of the Bicycle Pedestrian Coordinating Committee was held on December 18, 2012 at the Lee County Tax Collector Building, 2480 Thompson Street, Fort Myers.

Those in attendance included:

Linda Carter	CAC
Dan Moser	Injury Prevention Coalition
Mike Tisch	Lee County DOT
Steve Jansen	Lee County CTST
Dawn Huff	Lee County School District
Simone Behr	Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau
Dru Doyle	At-Large Member
Patricia Young	At-Large Member
Dan Calvert	Lee County Parks and Recreation
Josh Overmyer	Town of Fort Myers Beach

Others in attendance included Don Scott, Ron Gogoi and Brian Raimondo with the Lee County MPO; Amanda Auer and Tamara Piggott with the Lee County Visitor Convention Bureau; Russ Muller with FDOT; Tessa LeSage with Lee County Sustainability Department; and Darla Letourneau of BikeWalkLee.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Calvert called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

Mr. Gogoi called the roll and announced that a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Agenda Item #1 – Approval of the November 27, 2012 BPCC Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION BY MR. MOSER TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 27, 2012  
BPCC MEETING MINUTES. SECONDED BY MS. CARTER. MOTION  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Agenda Item #2 - PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None.

**AGENDA ITEM #3 – APPROVAL OF VIDEO TRAFFIC DETECTOR TRAFFIC COUNT VERIFICATION SCOPE**

Mr. Gogoi presented the scope and explained the background and purpose of the project. He stated that the project budget was \$20,000 and if the results from study were found to be satisfactory, the MPO could justify investments on these traffic cameras. The scope identified the analysis of 6 intersections – 3 with the ALDIS and 3 with the Autoscope Solo/Terra - for a total of 6 intersections will be used to study the accuracy of the video detection cameras in counting vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic. Mr. Jansen stated that if the results from the study are found reliable, they can use the existing 150 video detection cameras for traffic data collection. Mr. Scott stated that the scope should also call for a task to determine a process that could analyze the raw data and get the desired information quickly and in a coordinated method.

**MOTION BY MR. MOSER TO APPROVE WITH CHANGES STATED,  
SECONDED BY MR. OVERMYER. MOTION CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Agenda Item #4 – VISITOR CONVENTION BUREAU PRESENTATION**

Ms. Tamara Piggott gave a presentation on the role of the Lee County Visitor Convention Bureau and how bed tax is spent in Lee County. She mentioned that \$160,000 from the Beach and Shoreline program was used to promote and market the Great Calusa Blueway Trail. She reported that 280,000 paddling and biking coupons were issued and targeted to potential visitors to Lee County in the summer of 2011 to entice them to spend a couple of days in area hotels, but none of those coupons were actually redeemed. An open ended discussion ensued on how VHB could help market bicycle pedestrian facilities and events in their sales pitch to attract visitors and tourists to Lee County.

**Agenda Item #5 – REPORT ON MPO BOARD ACTION ON DRAFT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS**

Mr. Scott reported on the MPO action on FDOT’s Draft Tentative Work Program and the items that changed from the original Board distributed version. He shared a table on the priorities from 2012 with a comparison to what was funded this gaming cycle.

**Agenda Item #6 – ANALYSIS OF DRAFT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM ON NEW BIKE PED PROJECTS**

This was covered under the item #5.

**Agenda Item #7 – PUBLIC AND MEMBER COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None.

**Agenda item #8 – LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS ON BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN RELATED PROJECTS**

Mr. Overmyer provided an update on bicycle pedestrian activities in Fort Myers Beach.

**Agenda Item #9 – LeeTran Report**

None.

**Agenda Item #10 – FDOT Report**

There was a discussion about the intersection of the Metro Parkway Extension and Briarcliff and the new traffic signal. Mr. Gogoi gave an update on how FDOT was addressing the bicycle pedestrian issues on the Metro Parkway extension.

**Agenda Item #11 – Announcements**

None.

**Agenda Item #12 – Information and Distribution Items**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.