MINUTES OF THE LEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Held on April 9, 2014

The following members were present for the meeting of the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization Board's Executive Committee on April 9, 2014 at Cape Coral Public Works Building, Conference Room 200, 815 Nicholas Parkway E., Cape Coral, Florida.

Councilman Rick Williams
Councilman Thomas Leonardo
Vice-Mayor Stephen McIntosh
City of Cape Coral
City Of Fort Myers
City of Bonita Springs

Those also in attendance included: Don Scott and Johnny Limbaugh of Lee County MPO. Darla Letourneau BikeWalk Lee

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. There was not a quorum so no actions will be voted on.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda Item #1 - *Approval of the Minutes of the March 12, 2014 Executive Committee

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item #2 – Public Comments on New Business Items

Comments will be addressed at each agenda item.

<u>Agenda Item #3 – Preliminary Report on the Analysis of 2040 LRTP Revenue Projections</u>

Don Scott provided an update on MPO staffs meeting with FDOT to get clarification on methodology and current funding levels. The committee discussed the need to have realistic estimates. Councilman Leonardo requested an update from the MPOAC meeting on how other areas are addressing the reduced revenue forecast and adjusting for actual funds received. The Committee discussed the need to identify a stable funding source. Don Scott presented the Draft Revenue Report for review and discussion. MPO staff will bring back additional information.

<u>Agenda Item #4 – FDOT Analysis of Maintenance of Asphalt and Concrete Sidewalks/Pathways</u>

Don Scott provided an update. MPO staff has requested additional information from FDOT. We have been advised that the response is still be worked on. The committee discussed the types of pathways and cost. FDOT was invited but did not attend the meeting.

<u>Agenda Item #5 – Discussion and Input on Reporting the Economic Benefits and Impact of Transit</u>

Don Scott provided a copy of an Economic Benefits study completed by LeeTran and examples of state wide examples and explained the different approaches and asked for direction on how to move forward. Councilman Leonardo expressed his concerns with the mythology used in the previous study. Councilman Leonardo stated that subsidizing transit is a fact and if we want transit we have to find a way to pay for it. Discussion continued about the merits of transit and funding it. MPO staff will continue reviewing options.

Agenda Item #6 - Presentation on the Status of the TIGER Grant

Don Scott and Johnny Limbaugh gave an update on current activities. The committee also discussed current Bike/Ped activities and concerns.

Other Business

Agenda Item #7 – Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

There were no comments made under this item.

Agenda Item #8 – Announcements

There were no announcements made under this item.

Agenda Item #9 – Information and Distribution Items

None

ADJOURNMENT