

# Citrus County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB) Regular Meeting

Thursday, December 8, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

## MINUTES

The Citrus County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB) held a public meeting on December 8, 2022, at the Lecanto Government Building 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, Florida 34461. The meeting was advertised in the Citrus Chronicle and the agenda was available on the MPO Website.

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ruthie Davis Schlabach, Citrus County Commissioner, Chair  
Debbie Letterman, Career Source, Regional Workforce Development Board  
Tracy Noyes, Florida Department of Transportation  
David Douglas, Citrus County, Public Transit User  
Elizabeth Watson, Persons with Disabilities Agency  
Deirdre Barrett-LaBelle, Representative Children at Risk  
Glorybee Perez, Florida Agency for Healthcare Administration  
Walter "Bud" Osborn, Citrus County Veterans Services  
Katie Lucas, Local Representative Medical Community  
Stephen Brown, Citrus County Resident, Disabled

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Bob Esposito, Executive Director Hernando/Citrus MPO  
Carlene Riecsc, Transportation Planner III  
Joanne Granger, Citrus County Transit Director  
Theresa Flick, Key Center

### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- Chair Davis Schlabach called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
- The pledge of allegiance was recited.
- Notice of Meeting publication was read into the record.
- A quorum was declared.

### APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA

**Motion:** A Motion to approve the agenda was made by Ms. Katie Lucas and seconded by Mr. David Douglas. The motion passed unanimously.

### APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 8, 2022

**Motion:** A Motion to approve the minutes from the August 8, 2022, meeting was made by Ms. Katie Lucas and seconded by Mr. Bud Osborne. The motion passed 10-0.

### CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### **Membership Changes**

Ms. Riecsc advised the Board that Ms. Debbie Letterman replaced Ms. Christine Mestrovich on the LCB Board as she recently retired. Ms. Riecsc also stated Mr. William Burda resigned his citizen position on the Board. Chair Schlabach asked about recruitment for new members and indicated the need to advertise for new members.

### **Discuss Bylaws – Quorum**

Ms. Riecsc discussed the LCB Bylaws. She indicated that the Bylaws are required to be reviewed and updated on an annual basis. Staff is contemplating changing the quorum to a majority of the filled membership positions and will prepare a modification to present to the Board at the next meeting.

### **Quarterly Progress Report**

Joanne Granger reviewed the quarterly report.

### **Proposed Calendar 2023**

Ms. Riecsc advised the LCB that the MPO Board approved the calendar dates for 2023. All meetings of the LCB will continue to be held at the Lecanto Government Building 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, Florida 34461, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

### **LCB Issue List**

Ms. Riecsc updated the LCB Board on the current status of issues for the LCB.

### **Key Training Center Update**

Updates on the Key Training Center were provided to the Board.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Certificates of Appreciation**

**Motion:** A motion to approve Certificates of Appreciation for Christine Mestrovich and William Burda was made by Ms. Katie Lucas and seconded by Mr. Stephen Brown. The motion passed 10-0.

#### **Approval of the Annual Operating Report**

**Motion:** A motion to approve the Annual Operating Report was made by Ms. Deirdre Barrett-LaBelle and seconded by Mr. David Douglas. The motion passed 10-0.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Eva Petrovsky, a resident of Beverly Hills, approached the Board in support of having bus transportation in Homosassa and stated previous transportation was cancelled prematurely before citizens had an opportunity to realize bus transportation was available. Ms. Petrovsky also stated that by having smaller buses route through residential areas; similar to Beverly Hills, versus only running on the main highway, would increase ridership.

### **BOARD COMMENTS/MPO STAFF COMMENTS**

Ms. Riecsc provided the Board with an informational reference guide for TD101 summarizing the rules and responsibilities of the Board.

Ms. Noyes, from the FDOT, indicated it is difficult at this time to purchase new vehicles due to manufacturer delays.

### **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Citrus County LCB will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. in the Lecanto Government Building, 3600 W Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, Florida.