



# Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Regular Meeting Minutes

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**December 14, 2022**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sharpe called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at the Hernando County Building Division Training Room, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, Florida. The meeting was advertised in the Hernando Sun and the Citrus Chronicle, and the agenda was available online at: [www.hernandocountyus/hernandocitrusmpo.com](http://www.hernandocountyus/hernandocitrusmpo.com).

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
Scarlett Sharpe	Chair, Citizen-at-Large, Hernando County
Jim McLean	Vice-Chair, Citizen-at-Large, Citrus County
Sherry Bechtel	City of Inverness
Dennis Henize	Citizen-at-Large, Hernando County
Dennis Reiland	Citizen-at-Large, Citrus County
Alicia "Michelle" Minnie	Hernando County Parks and Recreation
James Lipsey	Hernando County School District
Francine Nobles	Citrus County Parks and Recreation
Matt Lillibridge	Non-Voting Hernando County Sheriff's Office

## Others in Attendance

Robert Esposito	Executive Director, Hernando/Citrus MPO
Carlene Riecss	Transportation Planner III, Hernando/Citrus MPO
Mary Elwin	MPO Coordinator, Hernando/Citrus MPO
Suzanne Monk	MPO Liaison, Florida Department of Transportation

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Introductions were made.
- Proofs of publication of the Notice of Public meeting were entered into the record by Ms. Riecss.
- A quorum was declared.

## APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA (Limited to Board and Staff)

Mr. Jim McLean made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Dennis Henize seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Jim McLean made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2022, BPAC meeting. Mr. Dennis Henize seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## PRESENTATION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)–Tentative Five-Year Work Program (FY 2024-FY 2028) Presentation

Ms. Suzanne Monk, MPO Liaison, FDOT, provided an update on the proposed changes to the new Tentative Five-Year Work Program. Ms. Monk provided the web page for public comment which will be open through December 23, 2022.

Florida Turnpike Enterprise (FTE)-Tentative Five-Year Work Program (FY 2024-FY 2028) Presentation

Mr. Roberto Esposito, Executive Director, Hernando/Citrus MPO, provided an update on the proposed changes to the new Tentative Five-Year Work Program.

November 3, 2022, MPO Board Meeting Update

Ms. Riecss shared an update from the November 3, 2022, MPO Board meeting.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

### **COMMITTEE/STAFF COMMENTS**

Dennis Henize said it was good to see the beginning of the trail improved.

Mr. Jim McLean indicated that there is no rest area on the Suncoast Parkway Trail. He referenced discussion in 2017 had occurred on parking and restroom facilities that were to be developed and mentioned this was something that needs to be done. Mr. McLean also noted that Friends of the Withlacoochee State Trail will be having a fund-raising ride on October 1.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Hermann adjourned the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

### **UPCOMING MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) will be held on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. at Hernando County Building Division Training Room, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, Florida. [In follow-up after this meeting, the January 25, 2023, meeting was cancelled. The next meeting was scheduled for March 22, 2023].

The meeting agenda and backup materials are available online at: [www.hernandocounty.us/hernandocitrusmpo](http://www.hernandocounty.us/hernandocitrusmpo).