

**JUNE 28, 2017 MEETING MINUTES  
OF THE  
RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (TPO) BOARD**

2570 W. International Speedway Boulevard, Suite 100  
Daytona Beach, FL 32114-8145

**TPO Board Members Present:**

Mayor Stephen Emmett\*  
Commissioner Robert Gilliland  
Council Member Lorraine Geiger\*  
Vice Mayor Lita Handy-Peters, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairperson  
Vice Mayor Leigh Matusick  
Commissioner Chris Nabicht  
Councilwoman Christine Power  
Commissioner Marshall Shupe, Chairman\*  
Commissioner Penny Currie  
Commissioner Jason McGuirk  
Vice Mayor Steve Nobile  
Council Member Joe Perrone\*\*  
Council Member Drew Bastian  
Councilman Ralph Schoenherr  
Volusia County Council Chair Ed Kelley  
Council Member Pat Patterson  
Council Member Fred Lowry  
Volusia County Council Vice Chair Deb Denys, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairperson  
Gene Ferguson (non-voting advisor)

**TPO Board Members Absent:**

Vice Mayor John Rogers\*  
Flagler County Chair Nate McLaughlin  
Vice Mayor Vernon Burton\*  
Commissioner Bill Lindlau (excused)  
Council Member Jeff Allebach  
Commissioner Dwight Selby  
Mayor James Sowell\*  
Council Member Joyce Cusack (excused)  
Saralee Morrissey (excused)  
Dustin Savage (non-voting)  
Tim Burman (non-voting)  
Judy Craig (non-voting)

\* Non-voting member in the Small City Alliance

\*\* Voting member for the Small City Alliance

**Others Present:**

Debbie Stewart, Recording Secretary  
Lois Bollenback  
Robert Keeth  
Pam Blankenship  
Herbert Seely  
Stephan Harris  
Vince Wang  
Aarti Sharma

**Representing:**

Beverly Beach  
Daytona Beach  
Daytona Beach Shores  
DeBary  
DeLand  
Deltona  
Edgewater  
Flagler Beach  
Holly Hill  
New Smyrna Beach  
Palm Coast  
Ponce Inlet  
Port Orange  
South Daytona  
Volusia County  
Volusia County, District 1  
Volusia County, District 2, Alternate  
Volusia County, District 3  
FDOT District 5

**Representing:**

Bunnell  
Flagler County  
Lake Helen  
Oak Hill  
Orange City  
Ormond Beach  
Pierson  
Volusia County, At-Large  
Volusia County School Board  
BPAC Chairman  
TCC Chairman  
CAC Chairperson

**Representing:**

TPO Staff  
TPO Staff  
TPO Staff  
TPO Staff  
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TPO Staff

**Others Present:**

Richard Walton  
Ron Paradise  
Jane Shang  
Hugh Harling  
April Bacchus  
David Cooke  
Ron Meade  
Patricia Northey  
Travis Hill  
Kim Davila  
Beth Lemke  
Het Patel  
Jole Pritchett  
Cynthia Brown  
Nicola Liquori  
Jon Cheney  
Heather Blanck  
Marcia S. Foltz  
Big John

**Representing:**

Daytona Beach  
Deltona  
Deltona  
ECFRPC  
ETM, Inc  
FDOT  
FDOT  
Ghyabi & Associates  
Kittelson & Associates  
Citizen, LPGA Resident  
Planning Solutions  
RS&H  
RS&H  
ReThink Your Commute  
SunRail  
V.C. Traffic Engineering  
Votran  
CAC  
Press

**I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Determination of Quorum**

The meeting of the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Marshall Shupe. The roll was called and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Ms. Stewart announced that Council Member Perrone, Ponce Inlet, would be the voting member for the Small City Alliance.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

A moment of silence was observed in recognition of veterans, military and first responders.

Chairman Shupe recognized Mr. Bob Keeth, TPO Senior Planner, on his upcoming retirement. He informed members that Mr. Keeth has worked in support of the planning efforts for the TPO for 33 years. On behalf of the TPO Board he expressed appreciation for Mr. Keeth's hard work over the years and wished him well.

Mr. Keeth stated he does not like to wear suits but he deliberately chose to wear one today as an expression of respect for Ms. Bollenback, the TPO staff and the board.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys recognized Chairman Shupe for his service to the TPO and presented him with a gavel plaque. She thanked him and stated he has represented Flagler Beach on the TPO Board since 2011 and in addition to serving as the TPO Chair, this last year he has also served on the Executive Committee, the Legislative Issues Subcommittee, the Budget Subcommittee and the Nominating Committee. She asked everyone to join her in recognizing Chairman Marshall Shupe and thanking him for his leadership.

Chairman Shupe thanked the board. He also thanked Mr. Keeth for his 33 years of service.

**III. Public Comment/Participation**

Ms. Kim Davila stated she is representing the LPGA community and is here to address the prioritization of funds for transportation. She is concerned with the new development that is bringing more traffic and more accidents to LPGA Boulevard. She added that she does not want the community to be left out of the planning and would like it to be a priority.

Mr. Big John stated he came to thank three members of the board today. He complimented Commissioner Gilliland on planting dune daisies on east International Speedway Boulevard (ISB). He thanked Volusia County

Council Vice Chair Denys and Council Member Lowry for their vote on the homeless shelter. He wanted the record to reflect that he had a bet with Volusia County Council Chair Kelley and won an Oyster Pub hotdog.

Chairman Shupe announced that there will be no TPO meetings in July; the next meetings will be in August.

**IV. Consent Agenda**

- A. **May 24, 2017 River to Sea TPO Board Meeting Minutes**
- B. **Treasurer's Reports**
- C. **Executive Committee Report**
- D. **Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Appointments and Resignation**
- E. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Report**
- F. **Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Report**
- G. **Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) Report**
- H. **River to Sea TPO Board (R2CTPO) Summary Report**
- I. **Central Florida MPO Alliance (CFMPOA) Summary Report**
- J. **Review and Approval of Expenditure for the Development of the Votran Bus Stop Improvement Plan (Phase 1) (\$54, 455)**
- K. **Cancellation of July Executive and TPO Board Meetings**
- L. **Review and Approval of Task Work Order for the Turnbull Bay Road Trail Feasibility Study (\$30,318.28)**

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Gilliland moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Vice Mayor Nabicht seconded the motion which carried unanimously.*

**V. Action Items**

- A. **Review and Approval of Resolution 2017-18 Adopting the FY 2017/18 to 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT FY 2017/18 TO 2021/22  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

Chairman Shupe opened the public hearing at 9:18 am and asked for public comment.

Ms. Kim Davila, LPGA community, asked if this was for the Priority List.

Chairman Shupe replied no, that was the next item on the agenda. With no other comment, he closed the public hearing at 9:19 am.

**MOTION:** *Council Member Patterson moved to approve Resolution 2017-18 adopting the FY 2017/18 to 2021/22 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Council Member Bastian seconded the motion.*

Chairman Shupe announced there was a representative present from SunRail, Ms. Nicola Liquori, and asked if anyone had any questions to ask her. There were none.

*The motion passed unanimously.*

- B. **Review and Approval of Resolution 2017-19 Adopting the 2017 List of Priority Projects Package**

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT 2017 LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS PACKAGE**

Chairman Shupe opened the public hearing on the draft 2017 List of Priority Projects Package at 9:20 am.

Ms. Kim Davila, LPGA community, stated she knows there is a survey or project to look at the I-95 interchange. She would like it to be expedited on the priority list and the project expanded to go to US 92. It is her understanding Volusia County has made a proposal to expand the review of the interchange and redesign the area because of the subdivisions going in. She stated she would like to move this up on the priority list because of the impact to the residents there and the future of 6,000 plus new homes of Bayberry

II and Margaritaville. She would like FDOT to take over the interchange operation and maintenance at LPGA Boulevard because the LPGA residents pay for that under the Community Development District (CDD). After 20 plus years, the city has finally agreed to pay them for the mowing. That is an unfair agreement to the LPGA residents. She would appreciate the projects being placed high on the priority list considering all the traffic out there. That area brings in a lot of taxpayer dollars to this community.

Commissioner Gilliland stated the city of Daytona Beach requested that Volusia County include them on the planning project for LPGA Boulevard. The city wants to participate in the study along the corridor because even though the roads are Volusia County, the property that connects to it is the city of Daytona Beach. Volusia County respectfully agreed to allow Daytona Beach be a co-applicant. Regarding the interchange modification study, Parsons Brinckerhoff is the vendor; FDOT has that project underway. There is quite a bit going on in that area but the issue is funding. The city is trying to work with Volusia County to see what can be worked out. Consolidated Tomoka is now on board. There have been a few recent changes which made money available to help expedite the widening of Williamson Boulevard to north of LPGA Boulevard. There is quite a bit going on but it comes down to the funding to make the improvements that are coming; unfortunately, the funding has not been found yet.

Chairman Shupe closed the public hearing at 9:24 am.

Ms. Bollenback stated there are two activities that are currently underway; one is a planning studies request for LPGA Boulevard submitted by the Volusia County in partnership with the city of Daytona Beach; that project is ranked number three on the last page of the priority projects package. The TPO has been working with FDOT on a Mason Avenue corridor study and expects that to be funded through FDOT because it is a state road. The second item is SR 44 and Beresford Avenue extension at Kepler Road. FDOT has done work in that area and is going back to look at improvements that can be made. The next project that needs funding would be the LPGA planning study but even though there is a lot of development that is more of a long range planning study. Separately from that, as Commissioner Gilliland mentioned, is the interchange study that FDOT is currently working on and they have had a request to expand that to more of an area wide study for many reasons including the development and pressure coming from both Williamson Boulevard and LPGA Boulevard, to the east and west. FDOT is amenable to that and it is consistent with what the TPO would want to do in that area. She reminded the board that these same discussions will happen around New Smyrna Beach and I-95, SR 40 and US 1 in Ormond Beach where there is also a lot of development. Those are the signs of a strong, rebounding economy; however, on the transportation side, keeping up with it is challenging.

Ms. Bollenback referred back to the priority list and commented that last month a marked up version was presented to show how projects have changed and moved along since the prior year. This month the finalized list is presented. There were three changes since last month. One has to do with the Tier B list regarding the SR 421 and Saxon Boulevard adaptive signal control projects. These were flipped in ranking order and that has been corrected. On the Bicycle/Pedestrian project list the West French Avenue sidewalk project was listed on both Tier A and Tier B. The TPO has removed it from Tier B (awaiting funding), as that project already has a phase funded; it remains on Tier A. In the planning studies category, an administrative change has been made to differentiate between major interchanges that are usually funded through Strategic Intermodal System funding and the planning studies because those are funded through two different sources. Those categories have been separated to make that clear as the TPO distributes the list to FDOT. One other item recommended is to add the SunRail Phase 2 North Expansion to the Transit List; that has been a priority in this area and is included in the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys asked Ms. Bollenback to explain the Tier B projects and the local match; to explain why some local matches are zero and some are 10% and what was the distinguishing factor.

Ms. Bollenback replied that the local match had been 50% a while back, then it went down to 25%, and eventually down to the 10% it is today. A few years ago there was an influx of funding and some projects were advanced without a local match required.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys asked if it was at the state or federal level.

Ms. Bollenback replied federal, MAP-21. As they were closing out the old bill quite often they would carry those funds forward. In this case, they did not do so and the TPO found itself with a significant amount of money available. The board waived the local match at that point for any projects that could be moved forward rather than take a chance on losing the money because most local governments already had their budgets set.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys stated going forward, when the TPO has these presentations, more detail should be placed under "comments".

Ms. Bollenback replied that it becomes a challenge when developing these lists. They are intended to communicate priorities to FDOT but they are also used to communicate with the board and committee members as well as the public. She acknowledged comments can easily be added.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys stated the "comments" section is empty and asked that it be used to add explanations.

Ms. Bollenback replied those type of administrative changes are made throughout the year and TPO staff will make sure it is clear.

**MOTION:** *Council Member Patterson moved to approve Resolution 2017-19 adopting the 2017 List of Priority Projects Package. Commissioner Gilliland seconded the motion.*

Vice Mayor Matusick asked if the motion included adding the SunRail Phase 2 North Expansion to the Transit Priority List.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys stated that item needs to be discussed.

Council Member Patterson stated it would be an amendment to the motion.

**AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION:** *Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys made an amendment to the motion to add the SunRail Phase 2 North Expansion to the 2017 List of Priority Projects. Vice Mayor Matusick seconded the amendment to the motion which carried unanimously.*

*The original motion as amended carried unanimously.*

**C. Review and Approval of FY 2017/18 River to Sea TPO Budget**

Chairman Shupe stated that each year the TPO develops and adopts a budget for the coming year. The draft FY 2017/18 budget was presented in May and there was one revision to the population of Ormond Beach. All other population figures have been verified.

Volusia County Council Chair Kelley stated that Ormond Beach would have loved to have had to pay the amount listed; however, being fair, Commissioner Selby pointed that out and they are willing to pay their fair share.

Council Member Perrone asked when the current lease on TPO office space expires.

Ms. Bollenback replied the current lease on office space expires in April 2018 and the TPO is actively looking for options. When the lease was executed, the Volusia Council of Governments (VCOG) was in place and they shared office space as well as this meeting room. It is much more space than this organization needs. The TPO did explore downsizing the current space and that is not an option and so it is exploring other options.

Council Member Perrone commented the reason he asked is because the new budget has the same proposed rent for the entire fiscal year.

Ms. Bollenback replied the TPO has no idea what the rent will be until it leases new space. There is also funding in a contingency line item for moving costs. The TPO will make changes to account for that. The expectation is to bring a decision forward by October or November of this year.

**MOTION:** *Vice Mayor Matusick moved to approve the FY 2017/18 River to Sea TPO Budget. Council Member Patterson seconded the motion which carried unanimously.*

**D. Review and Approval of Resolution 2017-20 Adopting the Flagler County Bicycle and Pedestrian School Safety Review Studies Report**

Chairman Shupe stated the Flagler County Bicycle and Pedestrian School Safety Review Studies are intended to increase mobility and safety for students who bicycle or walk to school. A draft report was presented in May and TPO staff has worked with the city of Palm Coast to address concerns regarding some of the recommended safety improvements. Consultant staff also presented the report findings to the Flagler School Board and adoption of the report has been recommended by all of the advisory committees.

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Gilliland moved to approve Resolution 2017-20 adopting the Flagler County Bicycle and Pedestrian School Safety Review Studies Report. Councilwoman Power seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

**VI. Presentations and Discussion Items**

**A. Presentation and Discussion of Coast to Coast Connector Trail Branding**

Chairman Shupe stated the Coast to Coast Connector Trail (C2C) spans 250 miles across Central Florida from the Gulf of Mexico to the Atlantic Ocean. The East Central Florida and Tampa Bay Regional Planning Councils received a technical assistance planning grant from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity to create wayfinding and branding concepts for the trail and trail maps and develop an implementation and marketing guidebook.

Vice Mayor Matusick commented that the Coast to Coast Connector Trail will start on the East Coast and go to the Gulf Coast.

Mr. Harris gave a PowerPoint presentation on the C2C Connector Trail Branding and stated in 2015, the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC) and the Tampa Bay Planning Council applied for and received two one-year grants from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. With this grant, they hired two consulting firms, ALTA Planning and Design and Genesis Planning Group. In the first year, they conducted an urban-rural overlay that made recommendations on branding, wayfinding, signage, design standards and amenities such as trail heads. In the second year, this year, a guidebook was developed, as well as marketing materials; the website was developed and an economic impact analysis was done. The SUN Trail program will pay for the design and construction of the trail but once it is up and running, ongoing operations and maintenance will be handled by local governments. He reviewed the recommendations and design standards.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys commented that she likes the logo concept of sunrise to sunset. She stated when one is out on the trails, they are there to disengage, to get away from the busyness and the last thing they want to see is metal and signs. Wayfinding is important; however, to know where you are on the trail, how far it is to the next station and how to connect to it is critical. She asked if there is a plan for a C2C app similar to the Volusia County Trails app.

Mr. Harris replied yes, that has been discussed. As mentioned, Volusia County is online and Brevard County is developing an app that will soon be online. The Leadership Team has suggested a way to link these applications together. There will be local product but ideally it will have references to the entire Coast to Coast Trail and some sort of link so if you go into one app, you would be able to bring up the trail in another county.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys cautioned to not get caught up in marketing with signs and to keep it minimal.

Vice Mayor Matusick stated the final markers for the mileage are great but the problem is those are done at the very end so a lot of the trail will be completed before the markers are placed. She suggested that the TPO could work on the Volusia segment to put temporary markers up. Volusia County has been supportive

of the trails and maintenance and she believes they are much farther ahead than others. She asked about the final segment in Webster. It is in the distant future for the whole trail to be done and she thinks there should be a short term plan to make our segments work for us so that it will fold in to the whole segment without losing the vision of being the first to connect the Coast to Coast. Volusia County will make the first dip in the water at New Smyrna Beach before Titusville and Brevard County get their segment completed. There has been some reluctance from the state to give two access points but it will be hard to say no once Volusia County is there first.

Mr. Harris stated that Volusia County has a signage project that is number 4 on Tier B of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Priority List that was just approved which will address signage and pavement markings.

Vice Mayor Matusick stated the pavement markings they are using will not be able to be put in at the beginning not knowing the distance coming back the other way; there will have to be temporary markings. It is 70% complete and when they do the center part it could add 20 miles to that trail; if permanent markings are down, it could change. She does not want to put money into anything that may change.

Vice Mayor Handy-Peters thanked Mr. Harris for the presentation and commented that she really likes the safety plan and the emergency services coordination.

Ms. Bollenback reminded everyone that this is 250 miles of trail spanning from the west coast to the east coast and she would like to think people will finish in New Smyrna Beach. In Volusia County, all segments of the trail are fully funded and probably within two years, our portion of the C2C will be complete. As Mr. Harris pointed out, the Volusia County wayfinding project is number 4 on the list so funding will probably be concurrent with the completion of the last segment. Volusia County will be the first in the state to do that as well. Volusia County is taking the lead on the signage and construction of the trail, getting TPO funding and all the pieces falling into place. The TPO continues to move forward and have conversations about trail applications, maintaining a local and regional app and capitalizing on programs like Google. The TPO is shifting gears on how to get activity up on the trail once it is built and how to move forward with the St. John's River to Sea Loop as the next regional trail. In terms of the state, the TPO is very well positioned to move forward with the trails and is very fortunate.

#### **B. Presentation and Discussion of the Flagler County Fixed Route Transit Implementation Plan**

Chairman Shupe stated the Flagler County Fixed Route Transit Implementation Plan is intended to build upon the need for fixed route bus service identified in both the TPO's Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and Flagler County's Transit Development Plan (TDP). Even though this is Flagler County, a person sent a letter in requesting to speak regarding bus service in southeast Volusia County. She is coming on a bus and hopefully will be here before 10:00 am. Even though it does not have anything to do with Flagler County, he would like to give her an opportunity to speak if and when she gets here before the meeting is adjourned.

Ms. Bollenback stated this is an opportunity to launch a fixed route service in Flagler County. Flagler County currently only has a demand/response system which is intended for those with disadvantages or disabilities that usually cannot get on a fixed route. When the TPO was building the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), they conducted public outreach in Flagler County as well as planning sessions with the Technical Coordinating Committee. Fixed route transit was identified as a need as Flagler County and Palm Coast continue to grow and develop. This has also been a part of the transit planning activities in Flagler County. They conducted a survey and 70% indicated support for starting a fixed route service. As things move along, the TPO will be asking to the Flagler County Board of Commissioners to make policy and funding decisions. The process is just starting; the TPO has met with Flagler County, Palm Coast, Bunnell and Flagler Beach, all of the entities that will participate or be impacted or have residents that will use the service. The project itself is being funded with a grant that ends at the end of the federal fiscal year; the end of September. The current schedule is to have a draft plan by September.

Vice Mayor Nobile thanked the TPO on behalf of Palm Coast and added this is definitely needed in Flagler County. The two concerns Palm Coast has are that they want this study to address direct routes; there are many people that are far away and getting them to the fixed route is very important. The second is they are

concerned about the stops along Belle Terre Parkway affecting traffic. SR 100 has a lot of room to implement bus stops and he is interested to see how the bus stops will be implemented along Belle Terre Parkway.

Ms. Bollenback replied that the dwell time for a bus stop is 10 to 15 seconds; it does not have a tremendous impact on the traffic but does sometimes encourage weaving. As a bus passes down a corridor, even though there is a stop in a location, it may only stop there a few times a day. Generally, bus service does not have an impact on traffic but there are options for bus pull-outs if the right-of-way exists and if they are put in the proper location. The challenge with a bus pull-out is once a bus is out of the traffic lane, it has to get back in, so it would have to be able to accelerate fast enough and there would have to be breaks in traffic. Typically, these are placed on the far side of a traffic light so that there will be a traffic signal to cause a break and allow the bus to pull out. If a bus cannot pull out it can impact the buses on-time performance.

Vice Mayor Matusick referred to the proposed zone service map, where it stops at the Volusia and Flagler County line and asked if there was any thought to look to connect Votran at the north with the southern part of the Flagler loop. For jobs, a lot of people from Flagler County come into Volusia County along that corridor and she thinks that would be an important part of the transit system.

Ms. Bollenback replied there will be consideration and discussion about connections like that. These lines that are on paper are still flexible. The TPO will need to make the connections that make sense, encourage ridership and support what the needs are. There are a number of people who come into Volusia County for a variety of services and making that connection is important.

Vice Mayor Matusick stated there is nothing shown from Flagler County to Ormond Beach so that connection should be there.

Ms. Bollenback commented that the northernmost SR A1A stop for Votran is at Bass Avenue which is about two miles from the county line. It is still a couple of miles to SR 100 where the service is currently drawn. There may be a five-mile gap but it will be addressed, considered and will depend on demand and run times.

Vice Mayor Matusick stated this needs to be looked at holistically as well as looking at the Votran connection.

Ms. Bollenback replied that on their paratransit service, Flagler County provides quite a bit of out of area trips and if some of those can be moved over to fixed route service it frees those vehicles that are available to stay closer.

### **C. FDOT Report**

Mr. Ferguson referred to page 109 of the agenda and stated the I-4 widening project from SR 44 east of I-95 is now complete. The I-95/I-4/US 92 Systems Interchange project remains on track with an estimated completion date of spring 2018. The resurfacing of US 1 in Edgewater is also estimated to be complete in early 2018. The SR 40 Granada Boulevard bridge repair should be complete by the end of this year.

Vice Mayor Matusick stated she had a conversation with Mr. David Cooke, FDOT, and asked him for an update on the SR 44 bridge project. She appreciates FDOT keeping SR 44 and Kepler Road on the radar and hopefully it will get moving again.

## **VII. Executive Director's Report**

### **→ Update on SunRail**

Ms. Bollenback reminded the board there is a workshop on July 19, 2017 to discuss some of the governance and funding agreements for SunRail.

Vice Mayor Matusick asked where and what time that would be.

Council Member Patterson replied the meeting date is not confirmed; the Mayor of Orlando would like to change the dates.

Ms. Nicola Liquori, SunRail, stated it is scheduled for July 19, 2017 at 9:00 am at MetroPlan Orlando.



Council Member Patterson stated he would keep the board apprised if there was a change in the date.

→ **Update on the I-95 to SR 417 Connector Environmental Study**

Ms. Bollenback stated the consultant for the Florida Turnpike Enterprise is still going through a data collection phase, running different analyses and evaluations of the area. They have compiled a stakeholder list and will schedule a workshop in August. Those in the study area will receive a notice about the workshop.

→ **Update on the FDOT District 5 Truck Parking Study**

Ms. Bollenback stated there was a survey issued yesterday to the trucking industry to solicit comments on the issues they have. They are collecting information, compiling stakeholder lists and surveying the trucking industry.

Ms. Bollenback stated the TPO is saying goodbye to Mr. Bob Keeth, as he retires. She announced the TPO has hired Ms. Colleen Nicoulin to replace him as Senior Planner. She is a local planner that has worked in local government and for the last 10 years worked at Lassiter Transportation Group. She also sits on the BPAC. She will start on July 5, 2017.

**VIII. River to Sea TPO Board Member Comments**

Council Member Perrone referred to the concerns of pedestrian safety and stated twice in the last month while traveling on SR A1A south of Dunlawton, going to and from Ponce Inlet, he observed cars racing through the intersection while pedestrians are in the crosswalk. Also, the yellow flashing light was engaged, and a couple was entering the crosswalk while a car rushed through anyway. He wondered if money spent would be better served for providing local municipalities funding for police overtime to do enforced stops at crosswalks. This has been effective in the past. The only way people learn is to be caught, educated or fined. He learned that Barnes & Noble's lease is up at the end of the year and extending it depends on the city of Daytona Beach to approve a change in zoning to permit a large Wawa to go in at that site. He asked if that would be a concern for the TPO due to the increased traffic.

Vice Mayor Matusick stated the city of DeLand was named the best downtown in the nation; it was a national contest and the city was pleased to win. She announced the celebration will take place this Friday night from 6:00 to 9:00 pm with a big photo opportunity. Saturday, July 1, 2017, the city will start the Fourth of July festivities at Earl Brown Park at 5:00 pm.

Volusia County Council Chair Kelley asked how much funding the TPO spends each year.

Ms. Bollenback replied that the TPO receives a little over \$5 million a year in set aside funding. For projects, there is a couple of billion dollars in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). For a project like the Systems Interchange, \$200 million is a good year; smaller projects may be \$50 million; it is a significant amount.

Volusia County Council Chair Kelley stated the reason he brought it up is the Roundtable of Elected Officials, on which each jurisdiction has a representative, meets the second Monday of the month. They formed a subcommittee to look at transportation issues. He was asked to update this board on that and would like to take three minutes at the next meeting to give that update. They have tried to identify transportation issues and came up with about \$1.5 billion in needs from the city managers. They are exploring ways to fund the needs and questions regarding the sales tax have come up. They know the projects cannot all be funded through the TPO's available money. These are immediate, unmet needs, not needs that are forecasted. He will give a map and show the areas of concern at the next meeting and he will provide a recap each month of the timeline. He added that the 10% local match is not enough; it is costing the TPO the ability to do three to four times as many projects every year. If the local governments had to put 50% in to get a project done, how many cities would still do their projects? This has caused a backlog and being behind in fixing some of the transportation issues because money has been used on projects that may have required a second look.

Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys agreed that it was a great idea to have the Roundtable of Elected Officials and she recommended that the TPO be at the table. There must be communication both ways and

conversations need to take place. As elected officials, there are managers and those managers must report back to the particular group. Transportation is not just about roads; it is about systems.

Councilwoman Power stated she travels on Beach Street in the mornings and there is a pedestrian sign that is constantly lit. She commented that it would be more effective to have a button for a pedestrian to push instead of it being constantly on.

Commissioner Gilliland stated if it does not have a button to push it is probably a cheaper sign and he will check into it.

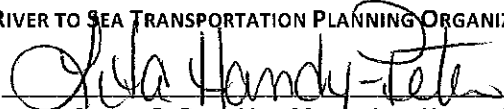
Chairman Shupe stated he appreciated what Ms. Bollenback and the TPO staff have done over the last year. He announced the fireworks show at Flagler Beach on Tuesday, July 4, 2017 at 9:00 pm. He announced the next TPO Board meeting will be August 23, 2017 and the new Chair will be Volusia County Council Vice Chair Denys. The only meeting in July is the TDLCB at Votran.

**IX. Information Items**

- Citizens Advisory Committee Attendance Record – 2017
- Technical Coordinating Committee Attendance Report – 2017
- Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Attendance Record – 2017
- May TPO Outreach and Activities
- BMC CPA's Audit Information Letter

**X. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the River to Sea TPO Board meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
  
CITY OF DEBARY VICE MAYOR LITA HANDY-PETERS  
1<sup>ST</sup> VICE CHAIRPERSON, RIVER TO SEA TPO

**CERTIFICATE:**

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the River to Sea TPO Board certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the June 28, 2017 regular meeting of the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Board, approved and duly signed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2017.

  
DEBBIE STEWART, RECORDING SECRETARY  
RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

*late*  
~~Debbie Stewart~~

# Public Speaking Request

**Debbie Stewart**

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**From:** Robert Keeth  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 3:34 PM  
**To:** Lois Bollenback  
**Cc:** Heather Blanck (hblanck@volusia.org); Vinny Wang; Debbie Stewart  
**Subject:** Public Comment - June Board Mtg

Lois,

Marta Orłowski from Edgewater wishes to address the Board tomorrow about the need for better bus service, particularly in SE Volusia. She does not expect to get to the meeting before 9:30 (possibly as late as 10:00) because she is riding the bus up from Edgewater. She asked if she would be permitted to speak outside the normal public participation time on the agenda. I told her that it would be up to the chairman, but that I would let him know she is coming. I advised her that she could also submit her comments in writing, and that if I received them before 9:00 am tomorrow, I would deliver them to the chairman.

Bob



*Never made it*

**Robert Keeth, Senior Planner**  
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**Lois Bollenback, Executive Director**  
River to Sea TPO

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- At the beginning of the following agenda item:

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(Please indicate the specific agenda item)

Date

9:15 MDS  
6/28/17

Name

BIG

Address

Contact Information

Comments: (please use back of page if needed)

Thank

Holly Hill  
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9:11 AM  
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Name Kim Davila Date 7/28/2017  
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Comments: (please use back of page if needed)

Public Infrastructure way behind  
in roads + raise taxes  
for roads.  
RPOA? plans?