



**NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION (NEFRTC)
MEETING SUMMARY**

Wednesday, January 24, 2018 - 1:30 PM
NFTPO Board Room
980 North Jefferson Street
Jacksonville FL 32209

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Doug Conkey, Clay County, **Chairman**
Commissioner James Bennett, Baker County, **Vice Chairman**
Commissioner Lindsey Brock, Duval County, **Secretary**
Commissioner Bill Bishop, Duval County
Commissioner Ennis Davis, Duval County
Commissioner Jimmy Johns, St. Johns County
Commissioner Chip Laibl, Putnam County, **Treasurer**
Jim Knight, FDOT, Board Advisor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Commissioner Bill Gulliford, Duval County
Commissioner Danny Leeper, Nassau County

OTHERS PRESENT:

Alan Mosley, RTC
Mike Hayes, Nassau Transit
Brian Teeple, NE FL Regional Council
Brad Thoburn, JTA
Geanelly Reveron, JTA
Fred Jones, Michael Baker International
Cheryl Freeman, RS&H
Liz Peak, Ride Solutions
Stephanie Zarkis, COJ
Phong Nguyen, St. Johns County

STAFF PRESENT:

Jeff Sheffield, North Florida TPO Staff
Jennifer Lott, North Florida TPO Staff

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Conkey called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm. Introductions were made around the room.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None at this time.

▶ 3. APPROVAL OF THE November 8, 2017 MEETING SUMMARY

Chairman Conkey asked for review and approval of the November meeting's summary.

James Bennett wanted to know why the following section under "Call to Order" is highlighted.

Bill Bishop informed the group that the Meninak and Southside Business Clubs will have the only float in the Veterans Day Parade with a 1200 pound missile on it on Saturday, November 11.

Bill Bishop informed the group that he sent an email to Mr. Mosley with the correct information. The sentence should read as follows:

Bill Bishop informed the group that the Meniac Southside Business Club will have the only float in the Veterans Day Parade with a 1200 pound missile on it on Saturday, November 11.

James Bennett made a motion to approve the November 8, 2017 meeting's summary with the correction from Minute X Southside Business Club to Meniac Southside Business Club; seconded by Chip Laibl; motion carried unanimously.

▶ 4. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER and DECEMBER 2017

Chip Laibl presented the Treasurer's Report for November and December.

Mr. Laibl asked if there were any questions. There were no questions at this time.

James Bennett made a motion to approve November's Treasurer's Report as presented; seconded by Bill Bishop; motion carried unanimously.

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► 5. RTC/RTCC UPDATE

Mr. Mosley gave the following brief update on the RTC/RTCC.

- The RTC has identified their focus for 2018 as follows:
 - Elevate public and private sectors - building sustainable economic activity in the region
 - Smart Regions Initiative - Use technology to drive decision making
 - Regional Transit Service – Connect the people of the region to each other and opportunity
- The RTCC has identified the following pilot programs that they will pursue in 2018.
 - Pilot Para-Transit Initiative
 - Pilot Express Route
 - Define the Performance of Existing Regional Transfer Opportunities
 - Complete and Implement Regional Fare Card Effort
- Chairman Conkey made a comment that he sees quite a few single person cars on the road. What is the realistic potential to convert 15% of those individuals to use public transportation for their daily commute? We need someone to collect and analyze the data of how many cars are coming into downtown, where are they coming from, etc.
- Commissioner Bennett wanted to know who, if anyone, is collecting that data. The data that is being collected is from current transit riders and not potential riders. Commissioner Bennett wanted to know what is being used as a measuring tool.

Mr. Mosley responded that the commuter information represented in the presentation came from the 2040 LRTP.

- Commissioner Bennett wanted to know the specifics of the regional fare card.

Ms. Reveron responded that staff is still looking at various options and comparing them to see what would be the best fit. The various counties are working together on this project.

Ms. Freeman responded that Luminor and Tindale Oliver have completed three technical memos on this issue. We should be able to report back to the RTCC within the next month or so.

- Commissioner Brock made a suggestion that all the commissioners should try and attend the next RTCC meeting so that they can get an understanding of the fare card project.

► 6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Election of 2018 Slate of Officers

Chairman Conkey opened the floor for nominations. Lindsey Brock made a motion to open the floor for nominations for Chairman; seconded by Doug Conkey. Bill Bishop nominated James Bennett, who accepted the nomination. The Chair asked for any other nominations. Seeing none, **Lindsey Brock moved to close the nominations for Chairman; seconded by Bill Bishop; motion unanimously carried. James Bennett will be the 2018 Chairman for the RTC.**

Chairman Conkey opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman. James Bennett made a motion to open the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman; seconded by Bill Bishop. Bill Bishop nominated Ennis Davis. Mr. Davis declined the nomination as his term has expired. James Bennett nominated Chip Laibl, who accepted the nomination. The Chair asked for any other nominations. Seeing none, **Doug Conkey moved to close the nominations for Vice Chairman; seconded by James Bennett; motion unanimously carried. Chip Laibl will be the 2018 Vice Chairman for the RTC.**

Chairman Conkey opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Bill Bishop nominated Lindsey Brock, who accepted the nomination. The Chair asked for any other nominations. Seeing none, **Bill Bishop moved to close the nominations for Secretary; seconded by James Bennett; motion unanimously carried. Lindsey Brock will be the 2018 Chairman for the RTC.**

Chairman Conkey opened the floor for nominations for Treasurer. Bill Bishop nominated Jimmy Johns, who declined the nomination due to several prior commitments. James Bennett nominated Bill Bishop, who accepted the nomination. The Chair asked for any other nominations. Seeing none, **James Bennett moved to close the nominations for Treasurer; seconded by Ennis Davis; motion unanimously carried. Bill Bishop will be the 2018 Treasurer for the RTC.**

Expiring Terms

Mr. Mosley informed the group that the terms of both Mr. Ennis Davis and Mr. Doug Conkey have expired. Mr. Mosley has made inquiries to both Duval and Clay Counties as to a replacement. Until a decision is made, both Mr. Davis and Mr. Conkey will remain.

Coordination with FDOT/FTC Status of Resolution Approving RMTP

Baker, Duval, Nassau and St. Johns have approved the resolution. Clay and Putnam are pending.

- Bill Bishop asked if this item is on Clay County's agenda. It is a requirement to have their approval. Mr. Bishop would like to know if we have any indication of when we can expect this item to be approved.
- Mr. Bennett wanted to know what is the hold up on approving this legislation.
- Mr. Mosley responded that the scope and mission of the RTC has gotten smaller changed since its inception. All of the counties made a commitment of five years and have not expressed an enthusiasm for continuing their funding commitment.
- Bill Bishop commented that the mission of the RTC has to be continually in front of the six counties. We need to find a way to keep the commissioners of the counties engaged on a continual basis.

SMART Regions Update

Mr. Sheffield informed the group that there is a lot of interest in the SMART regions arena.

►7. Public Comment

None at this time.

- Lindsey Brock announced that on February 20 from 1 p.m. - 7 p.m. at the UNF Herbert University Center they will hold public meetings for the Constitutional Revision Commission.
- Mr. Mosley thanked Chairman Conkey for his guidance and enjoyed working with him during his tenure as Chairman.

►8. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Doug Conkey, Chairman

Lindsey Brock, Secretary