



SANDHILLS AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FORMATION MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2023
ASSEMBLY HALL
395 MAGNOLIA ROAD
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA
2:00 PM

<p>Village of Pinehurst: Voting Member: John Strickland* Voting Alternate: Patrick Pizzella Manager: Jeff Sanborn*</p> <p>Town of Southern Pines: Voting Member: Taylor Clement Voting Alternate: Ann Petersen Manager: Reagan Parsons</p> <p>Town of Aberdeen: Voting Member: Robert Farrell Voting Alternate: Wilma Laney Manager: Paul Sabiston</p> <p>Village of Foxfire: Voting Member: Don Boito Voting Alternate: Don Nelson Clerk: Lisa Kivett*</p> <p>Village of Whispering Pines: Voting Member: Glenn Bernhard Voting Alternate: Pamela Harris Manager: Rich Lamdin</p>	<p>Town of Taylortown: Voting Member: James Thompson Voting Alternate: Gary Brown Clerk: Rita Maness</p> <p>Town of Pinebluff: Voting Member: Ronald McDonald Voting Alternate: Robbie Conley* Administrator: Melissa Adams</p> <p>Moore County Voting Member: Frank Quis* Voting Alternate: Jim Von Canon Manager: Wayne Vest*</p> <p>FHWA George Hoops Bill Marley*</p> <p>NCDOT Division 8 Board Member: Lisa Mathis* Board Member At-Large: Pat Molamphy* Scott Walston Alena Cook*</p>
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* = Absent

Approximately 11 audience members in attendance.

Mr. Doug Willardson, Assistant Village Manager, represented the Village of Pinehurst in the absence of Mr. Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager.

I. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Mr. Willardson reviewed the agreed upon changes to the MOU from the August 17, 2023 meeting.

The discussion of whether or not to have a weighted vote adopted as part of the MOU was continued. A straw poll was taken to determine what type of voting each municipality preferred (Weighted or One for One vote):

- Town of Aberdeen – Weighted
- Village of Foxfire – One for One
- Moore County – One for One
- Town of Pinebluff – One for One

- Village of Pinehurst – Weighted
- Town of Southern Pines – Weighted
- Town of Taylortown – One for One
- Village of Whispering Pines – One for One

Ms. Taylor Clement, Town of Southern Pines Voting Member, left the meeting at 02:49 PM. Ms. Ann Petersen, Town of Southern Pines Voting Alternate, represented the Town of Southern Pines in Ms. Clement’s absence.

A straw poll was taken to determine if any of the municipalities would withdraw from participation in the MPO should a One for One vote not be adopted as part of the MOU:

- Town of Aberdeen – NO
- Village of Foxfire – NO
- Moore County – NO
- Town of Pinebluff – NO
- Village of Pinehurst – NO
- Town of Southern Pines – NO
- Town of Taylortown – NO
- Village of Whispering Pines – NO

It was agreed further research into weighted votes and alternatives would be done and those findings presented to the Organization for consideration by the governing boards of each municipality prior to the next meeting.

It was determined the name of the MPO would be changed to Sandhills Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMPO).

II. Draft Governing Board Agenda

Discussion of the Governing Board Agenda was tabled for a future meeting.

III. Next Meeting

Friday, September 29th, 2023 at 10:00 AM

Respectfully Submitted,



Shannon Konstantinou
Village Clerk
Village of Pinehurst

The Village of Pinehurst is a charming, vibrant community which reflects our rich history and traditions.
Mission: Promote, enhance, and sustain the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors.
Values: Service, Initiative, Teamwork, and Improvement.