

SANDHILLS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (SMPO) FORMATION MEETING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH, 2023 ASSEMBLY HALL 395 MAGNOLIA ROAD PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA 10:00 AM

Village of Pinehurst:

Voting Member: John Strickland, Temporary Vice Chair

Voting Alternate: Patrick Pizzella

Manager: Jeff Sanborn
Town of Southern Pines:

Voting Member: Taylor Clement Voting Alternate: Ann Petersen Manager: Reagan Parsons

Town of Aberdeen:

Voting Member: Robert Farrell Voting Alternate: Wilma Laney

Manager: Paul Sabiston Village of Foxfire:

Voting Member: Don Boito, Temporary Chair

Voting Alternate: Don Nelson *

Clerk: Lisa Kivett

Village of Whispering Pines: Voting Member: Glenn Bernhard Voting Alternate: Pamela Harris

Manager: Rich Lambdin

Town of Taylortown:

Voting Member: James Thompson Voting Alternate: Gary Brown

Clerk: Rita Maness *
Town of Pinebluff:

Voting Member: Ronald McDonald * Voting Alternate: Robbie Conley * Administrator: Melissa Adams *

Moore County

Voting Member: Frank Quis

Voting Alternate: Jim Von Canon *

Manager: Wayne Vest *

FHWA

George Hoops * Bill Marley *

NCDOT

Division 8 Board Member: Lisa Mathis Board Member At-Large: Pat Molamphy *

Scott Walston Alena Cook *

* = Absent

Approximately 8 audience members in attendance.

I. Opening Remarks, Mr. Don Boito, Village of Foxfire Voting Member and SMPO Temporary Chair.

Mr. Don Boito, Village of Foxfire Voting Member and SMPO Temporary Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

II. Roll Call

Voting Members or Voting Alternates were present for all member municipalities except the Town of Pinebluff.

III. Adjustments / Approval of the Agenda

The agenda as presented was approved.

IV. Status Update from NCDOT on the Submission to the Secretary of Transportation

Mr. Scott Walston, NCDOT, stated all member municipality Memorandum of Understanding decisions had been received and the submission to the Secretary of Transportation would be done. Mr. Walston did not have a timeline for when the Secretary would make a decision on

the MPO formation but stated all member municipalities would be kept up to date on the progress of the submission as NCDOT is made aware.

V. Future Documents / Plans to Prepare

Mr. Walston detailed how SMPO expenses and funding for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2023 (ending June 30, 2024) will be handled by NCDOT. The Lead Planning Agency will take over handling SMPO expenses and funding the beginning of Fiscal Year 2024 (July 01, 2024).

Mr. Walston reviewed a document titled Future Documents / Plans to Prepare for SMPO and a prospectus, which highlighted milestones the Organization must meet in order to comply with the requirements of formation and funding.

VI. Other Business

The Organization discussed how recent local elections would impact the membership of the Organization and how best to transition, potential training opportunities for Organization members, and establishing a set meeting schedule.

VII. Next Meeting

Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 10:00 AM

The Organization agreed to initially set a meeting schedule as the third Thursday of every month at 10:00 AM. The set meeting schedule would be revisited / adjusted as the Governing Board sees fit once the MPO is fully established.

VIII. Public Comments

None.

IX. Adjourn

Mr. Boito adjourned the Formation Meeting at 10:32 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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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.