



Sandhills Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMPO)
Minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 15, 2024
Cannon Park Community Center – Multipurpose Room
210 Rattlesnake Trail
Pinehurst, North Carolina
10:00 a.m.

<p>Village of Pinehurst: Voting Member: Patrick Pizzella</p> <p>Town of Southern Pines: Voting Member: Taylor Clement, Chair* Alternate: Brandon Goodman</p> <p>Town of Aberdeen: Voting Member: Robert Farrell</p> <p>Village of Whispering Pines: Voting Member: Pamela Harris</p>	<p>Town of Taylortown: Voting Member: Sidney Gaddy</p> <p>Town of Pinebluff: Voting Member: Ronald McDonald, Vice Chair</p> <p>Moore County Voting Member: Frank Quis</p> <p>NCDOT Board Member At-Large: Pat Molamphy</p>
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* = Absent

Approximately 35 audience members in attendance.

I. Welcome.

Vice Chair McDonald welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Ethics Reminder.

III. Public Comments.

None.

IV. Adjustments / Approval of the Agenda.

Upon a motion by Board Member Pizzella, seconded by Board Member Harris the Governing Board unanimously approved the May 15, 2024, Regular Meeting agenda by a vote of 8-0.

V. Approval of Minutes.

a. Approval of SMPO Meeting Minutes

- April 17, 2024, Regular Meeting

Upon a motion by Board Member Pizzella, seconded by Board Member Harris, the Governing Board unanimously approved the past meeting minutes as listed by a vote of 8-0.

VI. Report from TCC Chair.

Mr. Paul Sabiston, TCC Chair and Town Manager for the Town of Aberdeen, provided an update to the Governing Board regarding the TCC meeting held earlier in the month of May.

VII. Division 8 Report Including US Open Plans and Traffic Circle Presentation.
Mr. Reuben Blakely, NCDOT Division 8 Engineer, and Mr. Travis Morgan, NCDOT Division 8 Construction Engineer, reviewed a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the following items of discussion:

a. US Open Preparations

- How the 2024 US Open will impact NCDOT project timelines.
- A map outlining the location of each project.
- A summary breakdown of projects R-5709 (Hwy 211), R-5726 (Hwy 211), U-3628 & R-5929 (Pinehurst Traffic Circle), U-5756 (NC 5), U-5725 & U-5975 (US 1 & 15-501), U-5814 & U-5815B (US 1).
- The estimated cost of each project.
- The potential difficulties some projects may pose.
- The utility work needed for each project.
- The Construction Manager / General Contractor process.
- Business Stakeholders and Public Outreach.
- Public Information Content (website going live July 2024).

b. STIP Project Updates

NCDOT STIP Project U-5976 Pinehurst Traffic Circle (PTC) (US 15-501, NC 211, NC 2 Intersection):

- Past / current conditions.
- STIP description.
- Project schedule / history.
- Current / projected PTC daily trips.
- Population projections.
- PTC traffic processing capacity.
- PTC safety analysis.
- A preferred solution rendering.
- QR codes to a Continuous Flow Intersections website and a Reduced Conflict Intersections website.

VIII. Review MOU Amendment Progress of Adoption.

Mr. Doug Willardson, Assistant Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, stated all member municipalities have submitted their MOU adoption documents, which were forwarded to the NCDOT and submitted to the Secretary of Transportation.

IX. Approve FY24 & FY25 UPWPs.

Upon a motion by Board Member Pizzella, seconded by Board Member Goodman, the Governing Board unanimously approved the Fiscal Year 2024 Unified Planning Work Program by a vote of 8-0.

Upon a motion by Board Member Pizzella, seconded by Board Member Goodman, the Governing Board unanimously approved the Fiscal Year 2025 Unified Planning Work Program by a vote of 8-0.

X. Receive and Review Potential Projects for Future Prioritization.

Mr. Doug Willardson, Assistant Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, and Ms. Karyl Fuller, Principal Planner / RPO Director for the Central Pines Regional Council, reviewed the

submitted Moore County Projects Prioritization spreadsheet and discussed the process the Governing Board will need to follow for prioritizing each project.

XI. Review MTP/CTP Development Process.

Mr. Scott Walston, NCDOT Transportation Planning Division Representative, reviewed a PowerPoint presentation on the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) / Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) development process focusing on the development requirements and schedule.

Mr. Walston further stated the Committee and Governing Board will need to work to gather travel demand model and Travel Analysis Zone (TZA) information to use for possible future modeling steps.

XII. Other Business.

None.

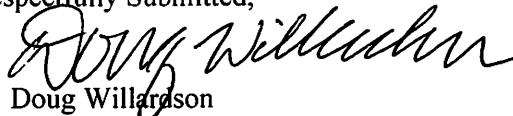
XIII. Next Meeting Date

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, June 19th, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of Village Hall.

XIV. Motion to Adjourn

Upon a motion by Board Member Pizzella, seconded by Board Member Goodman, the Governing Board unanimously approved to adjourn the Regular Meeting by a vote of 8-0 at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Doug Willardson
Assistant Village Manager
Village of Pinehurst