

Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) of the
Sandhills Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMPO)
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 07, 2024
Fallon Council Conference Room
395 Magnolia Road
Pinehurst, North Carolina
10:00 a.m.

Voting Members:	Non-Voting Members:
Village Manager – Village of Pinehurst	NCDOT Public Transportation Division*
Town Manager – Town of Southern Pines	FHWA North Carolina Division*
Town Manager – Town of Aberdeen, Chair	
Town Manager – Town of Whispering Pines*	
Town Administrator – Town of Pinebluff, Vice Chair	
Town Administrator – Town of Taylortown	
County Manager Designee – Moore County	
Moore County Transportation Services Director	
NCDOT Division 8 Engineer	
NCDOT Transportation Planning Division Representative	

^{* =} Absent

Ms. Danielle Oroloff, Senior Planner for Moore County and TCC Alternate, and Ms. Tiffany McCormick, Administrative Officer for Moore County Transportation Services and TCC Alternate, attended the meeting in place of the TCC Voting Member for their organizations.

Mr. Reagan Parsons, Town Manager for the Town of Southern Pines, was present via Zoom.

Also, in attendance was Mr. Sidney Gaddy, Mayor Pro Tem for the Town of Taylortown.

Approximately 3 audience members and 0 press in attendance.

I. Welcome

Mr. Paul Sabiston, Chair and Town Manager for the Town of Aberdeen, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

II. Adjustments / Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Paul Sabiston, Chair and Town Manager for the Town of Aberdeen, received consensus from the Committee to proceed with the August 07, 2024, TCC-SMPO Regular Meeting agenda as published.

III. Public Comments

None.

IV. Approval of Minutes

a. Minutes of June 05, 2024, SMPO-TCC Meeting

Upon a motion by Ms. Melissa Adams, Town Administrator for the Town of Pinebluff, seconded by Mr. Sidney Gaddy, Mayor Pro Tem for the Town of Taylortown, the Committee unanimously approved the June 05, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes by a vote of 9-0.

V. General Business

a. Projects and Timeline through the end of the Calendar Year

Mr. Doug Willardson, Assistant Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, reviewed a memo outlining the upcoming projects and tasks timeline.

Ms. Karyl Fuller, Principal Planner / RPO Director for the Central Pines Regional Council, stated she will need the Governing Board's approved Prioritization 7.0 Division Points document by the end of September 2024.

The Committee discussed the possibility of adding language to the RFQ for the MTP Consultant designating the Consultant as a temporary SMPO Director. The Committee decided not to include the language in the RFQ at this time.

b. Review and Recommend Approval of the draft RFQ for MTP Consultant

Mr. Doug Willardson, Assistant Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, reviewed a draft copy of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Consultant document.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, seconded by Mr. Sidney Gaddy, Mayor Pro Tem for the Town of Taylortown, the Committee unanimously approved recommending the draft Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Consultant to the Governing Board by a vote of 9-0.

c. Ranking of Committed Projects

Mr. Doug Willardson, Assistant Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, reviewed a chart of the current rankings for committed projects.

The Committee verified the projects listed for the Region and Division are committed projects.

Ms. Karyl Fuller, Principal Planner / RPO Director for the Central Pines Regional Council, reviewed the prioritization cycle processes and ranking criteria.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, seconded by Mr. Reagan Parsons, Town Manager for the Town of Southern Pines, the Committee unanimously approved recommending the draft 2026-2035 ranking of committed projects as proposed to the Governing Board by a vote of 9-0.

d. Safe Streets Grant Opportunity Discussion

Ms. Lindsay Whitson, Community & Economic Development Director for the Central Pines Regional Council, provided an overview of the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program offered by the U.S. Department of Transportation and how this funding can be used by local / regional governments to help create Safe Streets Plans as part of the USDOTs initiative to reduce roadway injuries and fatalities and make roadways safer for all types of users.

Ms. Whitson stated the application for this round of the program is due August 29, 2024.

The Committee discussed the funding breakdown and options for gathering funds for the SMPO portion of the Safe Streets Plan creation.

The Committee decided not to take any action at this time and to consider applying to the program at a future date.

VI. Division 8 Update

Mr. Bryan Kluchar, NCDOT Division 8 Planning Engineer, reviewed a chart of the active and upcoming SMPO projects.

VII. Next Meeting Date

September 04, 2024, Regular Meeting

Mr. Paul Sabiston, Chair and Town Manager for the Town of Aberdeen, verified the upcoming SMPO meeting would be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn

Upon a motion by Mr. Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager for the Village of Pinehurst, seconded by Mr. Reagan Parsons, Town Manager for the Town of Southern Pines, the Committee unanimously approved to adjourn the Regular Meeting by a vote of 9-0 at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shannon Konstantinon

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