

NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL Board of Directors Meeting

June 6, 2024

MINUTES

The Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors held a meeting at 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, FL on Thursday, June 6, 2024; **President Whitehurst** called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll call was conducted with the following members present, representing a quorum:

BAKER: Commissioner Anderson

Commissioner Bennett

Mr. Register

CLAY: Mr. Bourre

Commissioner Condon

Mr. Kennedy

Commissioner Renninger

DUVAL: Council Member Amaro

Council Member Gay Mayor Lynch (virtual)

FLAGLER: Mayor Alfin

Commissioner Dance Commissioner Sullivan

NASSAU: Mr. Drew (virtual)

Commissioner Martin Vice-Mayor Sturges

PUTNAM: Commissioner Adamczyk (virtual)

Commissioner Harvey (virtual)

ST. JOHNS: Commissioner Alaimo (virtual)

Commissioner Horvath Commissioner Whitehurst

EX-OFFICIO: Mr. Conkey, St. Johns River Water Management District

Ms. Craver, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (virtual)

Mr. Dixon, Florida Department of Transportation (virtual)

Mr. Hart, Florida Department of Commerce

Excused: Mr. Griffis

Absent: Mayor Brown

Guest: Catherine Hannan, Fish & Wildlife Commission (virtual)

Staff: Eric Anderson, Sheron Forde, Elizabeth Payne, Donna Starling, et al.

INVITATION TO SPEAK

President Whitehurst stated that members of the public are welcome to speak on any item before the Board. The public will be recognized during public comment.

*CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved by all members in attendance.

OTHER REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

Presentation: 2024 Hurricane Season

Mr. Scott Cordero, Meteorologist In Charge, National Weather Service – Jacksonville, provided the Council with a presentation on the 2024 Hurricane Season. Discussion followed.

* Proposed FY 23/24 Amended Budget

The fiscal year 23/24 amended budget was unanimously approved by all members in attendance.

* Proposed FY 24/25 Budget

The fiscal year 24/25 proposed budget was unanimously approved as presented by all members in attendance.

*Putnam County TD Local Coordinating Board Membership

The Putnam County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Membership was unanimously approved by all members in attendance.

Program Spotlight: Flagler Vulnerability Assessments

Ms. Ilami provided information on the work of the Council on Vulnerability Assessments, specifically with Flagler County.

Community Resiliency Update

Ms. Ilami provided an overview of the resiliency activities to date.

Regional Leadership Academy Update

Mr. Nolen provided an update on the Regional Leadership Academy over the last two months.

Public Comment – None.

<u>Local and Regional Issues Discussion</u> – each member in attendance shared information on activities occurring in their county/municipality.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS' REPORT

Updates were provided relating to the Department of Commerce, Department of Environmental Protection, and St. Johns Water Management District.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Payne reported on the signing of the lease for the new Council offices; a new intern from Jacksonville University working on the Ecotourism and Trails project; and that the CEO evaluation will be emailed in July for review in August by the Executive Committee. She also informed the Members of the cancellation of the July Council meeting; the September meeting to include an open house for the new offices; technical assistance to local governments; and completion of the Special Committee work for the City of Jacksonville's Sheriff Office.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be September 5, 2024.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:59 a.m.

Christian Whitehurst President

Chief Executive Officer