

**Collier Metropolitan Planning Organization
Board of County Commission Chambers
Collier County Government Center
3299 Tamiami Trail East, 3rd Floor
Naples, FL 34112
December 8, 2023**

Special Meeting | 9:30 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

****HYBRID REMOTE – IN-PERSON AND VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Folley called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Hansen called roll and confirmed a quorum was present in the room.

Members Present (in BCC Chambers)

Council Member Greg Folley, City of Marco Island, *Chair*
Commissioner Chris Hall, Collier County BCC District 2, *Vice-Chair (arrived after roll call.)*
Commissioner Burt Saunders, Collier County BCC District 3
Commissioner Dan Kowal, Collier County BCC District 4
Commissioner Rick LoCastro, Collier County BCC District 1
Commissioner William L. McDaniel, Jr., Collier County BCC District 5
Council Member Paul Perry, City of Naples
Council Member Ted Blankenship, City of Naples
Council Member Tony Pernas, Everglades City

Members Absent

None

MPO Staff

Anne McLaughlin, Executive Director
Sean Kingston, Principal Planner
Dusty Hansen, Senior Planner
Suzanne Miceli, Administrative Support Specialist II

FDOT

Wayne Gaither, Manager, District 1 Southwest Area Office
Victoria Peters, Community Liaison

Others Present

Scott Teach, Esq., Deputy County Attorney
Amy Lyberg, Collier County Human Resources Director
Brian Wells, Director, Collier County Public Transit & Neighborhood Enhancement

Lorraine Lantz, Manager, Collier County Transportation Planning
Michael Tisch, Project Manager, Collier County Transportation Engineering

Others Present Virtually, Via Zoom

Trinity Scott, Department Head, Collier County Transportation Mgmt. Services

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Folley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

4.A. Approval of December 8, 2023 Special Meeting Agenda (Executive Director Candidate Interviews)

Commissioner McDaniel moved to approve the Special Meeting Agenda, and Commissioner LoCastro seconded. Passed unanimously.

5. MPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

Ms. Lyberg announced that the purpose of the special meeting was to select a new Collier MPO Executive Director and explained the candidate selection process would include candidate presentations, candidate interviews, and Board deliberation followed by final candidate ranking.

Chair Folley clarified that the Board had the option to continue the search for a new Collier MPO Executive Director following the special meeting, if so decided.

5.A. Presentation by George G. Kinney

Mr. Kinney was not present and had withdrawn his application.

5.B. Presentation by Lorraine M. Lantz

Ms. Lantz provided a presentation highlighting her skills and experience applicable to the role of Collier MPO Executive Director.

5.C. Presentation by Michael P. Tisch

Mr. Tisch provided a presentation highlighting his skills and experience applicable to the role of Collier MPO Executive Director.

5.D. Rotational Question and Answer Session

The Board presented a series of questions to each candidate, and each candidate responded accordingly. Question topics included candidate goals, the current challenges facing the MPO, whether the Collier and Lee MPOs should consolidate, apportionment allocation, and federal funding considerations.

5.E. Candidate Closing Comments

Mr. Tisch explained that he welcomed the opportunity to work within the MPO, and believed he possessed the ability to meet the challenges of the role.

Ms. Lantz expressed that she welcomed the opportunity to work within the MPO and looked forward to working with the MPO Board.

5.F. Board Deliberation

Following the interview process and Board deliberation, the Board was prepared to rank the candidates.

5.G. Board Recommendations/Candidate Ranking

The Board completed the ranking forms that had been distributed to them.

5.H. Tentative Interview Scoring & Final Vote

Ms. Lyberg announced that Ms. Lantz had been ranked as the number one candidate for the role of Collier MPO Executive Director.

It was decided that Mr. Teach would prepare a standard County employee contract with severance provisions and that meets grant requirements for the position, and facilitate contract negotiations with Ms. Lantz and Chair Folley on behalf of the Board.

Commissioner McDaniel moved to appoint Ms. Lantz as Collier MPO Director and for Chair Folley to work with Mr. Teach to conduct contract negotiations. **Council Member Pernas** seconded. Passed unanimously.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

6.A. *Regular Meeting - December 8, 2023, 1:00 p.m. Location: BCC Chambers Hybrid In-Person/Remote*

6.B. *Regular Meeting - February 9, 2024, 9:30 a.m. Location: BCC Chambers Hybrid In-Person/Remote*

7. ADJOURN

*There being no further business, **Chair Folley** adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:45 a.m.*