

CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

MINUTES CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING July 20, 2015

Committee Members Present:

Charles Ramdatt, City of Orlando (Committee Chairman)
Steve Fussell, Seminole County
Jim Harrison, Orange County
Fred Schneider, Lake County

Committee Members Absent:

Hector Lizasuain, Osceola County

Also Present:

Laura Kelley, Executive Director
Joseph A. Berenis, Chief of Infrastructure
Michelle Maikisch, Chief of Staff/Chief of Public Affairs
Linda Brehmer Lanosa, Deputy General Counsel
David Wynne, Director of Toll Operations
Corey Quinn, Director of Expressway Operations
Joann Chizlett, Director of IT
Darleen Mazzillo, Recording Secretary/Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Committee Chairman Charles Ramdatt.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 19, 2015 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Fussell and seconded by Mr. Schneider to approve the February 19, 2015 Operations Committee minutes as presented. The motion carried with 4 members present and voting AYE by voice vote; Mr. Lizasuain was not present.

ALL ELECTRONIC TOLL COLLECTION

Executive Director Laura Kelley reported that toll roads in South Florida and Tampa are currently utilizing all electronic toll collection (no cash lanes) on their systems. We have recently learned that the Florida Turnpike Enterprise is contemplating all electronic toll collection (ETC) to be implemented within the next five years in Central Florida.

She also reported that the Wekiva Parkway will operate with all electronic tolling. It will be CFX's first roadway with no cash lanes.

Ms. Kelley mentioned that we are currently looking into the possibility of buying portions of the SR 417 and SR 429 in Seminole and Osceola Counties, as well as the portion of SR 528 from I-4 to the Boggy Creek Interchange.

She asked for the committee members' thoughts regarding whether CFX should consider all electronic toll collection on its system.

The committee members requested that staff provide an analysis of all electronic tolling experiences from other agencies and report back at a later date.

OSCEOLA COUNTY'S TOLL COLLECTION

Ms. Kelley reported that we have processed electronic toll transactions for Osceola County since 2007. Currently CFX charges Osceola County a transaction fee for electronic tolling, which equates to approximately \$300,000 annually. Osceola County handles their own cash collections.

Now that Osceola County is part of CFX's jurisdiction, we are considering a recommendation to remove the fee.

The committee members discussed the matter and asked questions, which were answered by staff.

The committee members decided to delay action on this matter until a request is made by Osceola County and to see the outcome of the workshop later this month.

UPDATE ON CENTRALIZED CUSTOMER SERVICE SYSTEM (CCSS)

Ms. Kelley reported that the second-ranked firm, Accenture has filed a formal protest on the award of the Centralized Customer Service System contract. In discussions with the Turnpike Executive Director Diane Scaccetti, she expects the protest to be formally resolved by the September time frame.

We have received a master agreement from the Turnpike. It still does not contain the essential components of a partnership. When we requested a meeting of the four toll agencies, we received a letter from FDOT Secretary Jim Boxold stating that they would not engage in a meeting. He also directed us to have our attorney work through their attorney for any suggestions or comments to the agreement.

The committee members outlined the following issues and asked staff to report back at the next meeting:

- What is the urgency and criticality?
- What are the customer service benefits?

INCIDENT SCANNING PROJECT

Director of Expressway Operations Corey Quinn talked about a pilot project to improve the data collection process at fatal accident scenes on our roadways.

Traffic fatalities are tragic events that require careful scene investigation. Lengthy road closures as a result of a fatal accident cause negative impacts to our customers and create an environment for secondary accidents. The Florida Highway Patrol has a shortage of Traffic Homicide Investigators and many times there is a significant wait time for the THI to arrive on the scene. It can take 4 to 8 hours for the road to be re-opened after a fatal accident.

We have been looking at incident scanning technology in order to improve the data collection process at accident scenes.

Incident Scanning Technology:

- Uses laser scanning (LIDAR) to collect millions of data points in 3D space
- Data is loaded into crash analysis software for use by investigators
- Data is collected quicker than by hand

We initially looked at eight (8) companies, which were narrowed down to two (2). Demonstrations were held with the two vendors, Riegl Laser Measurement Systems and Leica. This technology is being used in San Diego and London. Mr. Quinn presented a video of the vendor demonstrations.

Next steps:

- Complete final report: 7/31/15
- Determine product(s) and quantities: 8/14/15
- Determine procurement mechanism: 8/28/15
- Develop and execute procurement contract: 10/1/15
- Begin pilot project: 10/16/15

(Mr. Harrison left the meeting at this time.)

Discussion ensued by the committee members. Mr. Ramdatt suggested that we have a pool of Traffic Homicide Investigators under contract to handle incidents in the four counties and city of Orlando. He also emphasized the need for reliability. Mr. Quinn will explore this option.

COMMITTEE CHAIR ANNUAL ROTATION

Per the Operations Committee Charter, the Chairman will serve on an annual, rotating basis. According to the order established in the Charter, the Seminole County representative, Steve Fussell, will serve as Chairman beginning in September.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to come before the Operations Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Minutes approved on Oct. 19, 2015.

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