



**MPO**  
**Newsletter/Action Sheet**  
**January 11, 2012**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dave Eggers called the meeting to order.

**II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Commissioner Welch conducted the services for the MPO.

**III. WELCOME NEW MPO MEMBER**

It was indicated a new member will be appointed by St. Petersburg by the time of the next MPO meeting.

**IV. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES TO OUTGOING MPO MEMBER HERB POLSON AND OUTGOING CAC CHAIRMAN AND MEMBER NICK FRITSCH**

The MPO recognized outgoing MPO member Herb Polson and outgoing CAC Chairman/member Nick Fritsch.

**V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

There were no citizens to be heard.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

The MPO approved the consent agenda, which included the December 14, 2011 MPO meeting minutes; invoice from Tindale/Oliver and Associates; agreement between MPO and TBARTA for FTA Section 5309 funds; resolution for submission of FTA Section 5303 grant; and printing of revised TD program materials.

**VII. WORKSHOP ON ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS**

The MPO received an in depth presentation on the Alternatives Analysis. The MPO requested additional information from other areas regarding projected costs as compared to actual costs; economic development associated with Bus Rapid Transit in a dedicated lane; information from Seattle regarding their Bus Rapid Transit project; and clarification of the employment numbers in the Gateway area.

**VIII. MPO/PPC EXECUTIVE REPORT**

The MPO approved the staff recommendation to proceed with office space at 310 Court Street, Clearwater.

**IX. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

The MPO appointed Jeff Danner as the representative and Karen Seel as the alternate to the MPOAC. The MPO appointed Dave Eggers as the representative to the Chairs Coordinating Committee. The MPO appointed Christopher Long as an At Large representative to the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). The MPO acknowledged Joe Falanga as the new CAC Chairman and Leland Dicus as the new Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) and thanked Paul Bertels for his many years of serving as the TCC Chairman.

**X. PSTA ACTIVITIES**

The MPO received a report on PSTA activities.

**XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mayor Hibbard noted he could not participate in the etown hall meeting next Thursday; therefore, Commissioner Seel agreed to participate.