In Attendance:

**County Representatives:**
Commissioner Wendy Breeden, Lake County
Commissioner Sean Parks, Lake County
Commissioner David Moore, Marion County
Commissioner Emily Bonilla, Orange County
Commissioner Cheryl Grieb, Osceola County
Commissioner Lee Constantine, Seminole County
Commissioner John Horan, Seminole County
Councilmember Ed Kelley, Volusia County

**Municipal Representatives:**
Council Member Rocky Randels, Space Coast League of Cities (City of Cape Canaveral)
Mayor Gary Bruhn, Tri-County League of Cities (Town of Windermere)
Vice Mayor Leigh Matusick, Volusia County League of Cities (City of DeLand)

**Gubernatorial Appointees:**
Chair John Lesman, Seminole County

**Ex-Officio Members:**
Ms. Jean Parlow, Florida Department of Transportation
Ms. Susan Davis, St. Johns River Water Management District
Mr. William Graf, South Florida Water Management District

**Other Attendees:**
Mr. Ken Weyrauch, Marion County Growth Services
Mr. Juan Cantillo, Marion County Growth Services
Mr. Chris Cloudman, City of DeLand

**Members not in Attendance:**
Commissioner Jim Barfield, Brevard County
Commissioner Rita Pritchett, Brevard County
Commissioner Jeff Gold, Marion County
Commissioner Betsy VanderLey, Orange County
Commissioner Viviana Janer, Osceola County
Commissioner Garry Breeden, Sumter County
Commissioner Don Burgess, Sumter County
Councilmember Billie Wheeler, Volusia County
Commissioner Patty Sheehan, City of Orlando
Mayor Dina Sweatt, Lake County League of Cities (City of Groveland)
Councilman Brent Malever, City of Ocala
I. **Call to Order and General Business**

- Chair Lesman called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m.
- Ms. McCue called the roll and announced a quorum was present.
- Commissioner Parks led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Recognition – Vice Mayor Matusick/Commissioner Barfield – Chair Lesman presented Vice Mayor Matusick with a plaque for her years of service to the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (RPC) and representation of the citizens of Volusia County. As Commissioner Barfield was not present, his recognition was postponed.

II. **Consent Agenda**

- September 2018 Meeting Minutes
- August and September 2018 Financial Reports
- FY2018 Proposed Year-End Budget Amendment

As there were no objections to the three items on the Consent Agenda, Mayor Bruhn made a motion to approve. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the Minutes, the Financial Reports and the Year-End Budget Amendment passed unanimously.

III. **Public Comments/Announcements**

There were no public comments at this time.

IV. **Presentation: Future of Transportation Summit** – Commissioner Sean Parks, Lake County

Commissioner Parks spoke about the “Future of Transportation Summit” held in Lake County and sponsored by Team Florida, a leadership organization of toll agencies. Commissioner Parks represents CFX on the Team Florida Board as Treasurer. It was the first summit of its kind and spurred conversations to think about the future of transportation. There were 150 people in attendance.
Vice Mayor Matusick asked how the solar panels work in the road. Commissioner Parks responded they are adhered in place in the road and they have had semi-tractor trailers running over them and they don’t move. They powered most of the rest stop on I-75 west of Atlanta towards Alabama which is solar-powered. The thought is what can we do here in Central Florida to incorporate some of these sustainable concepts. Discussions continued on other sustainable concepts such as better stormwater and green infrastructure.

Commissioner Horan asked when the next Summit will occur. Commissioner Parks responded that we can have one of these again in any of the other communities. Marion County offered to host a “Future of Transportation Summit” - Team Florida/CFX.

V. Presentation: Economic Placemaking in the City of Titusville – Ms. Edie McCall, City of Titusville, Economic Development Director

Ms. McCall discussed the trail development in the City of Titusville. They have three trails running through the city. The Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) will fund the building of a welcome center in the downtown area which includes a bike repair shop. She spoke about the various partnerships along the trail for beautification and promotion and improvements in the Downtown area and discussed the Bike Boat Friendly business program. Ms. McCall and Mr. Trevor Traphagen, Titusville City Planner, talked about connected mixed use, transportation, economic development and trails for the future of the City and the Comprehensive Plan changes and changes to future land use categories to improve the planning process.

Vice Mayor Matusick complimented Titusville on their work and efforts.

VI. Presentation: Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Updated Plan – Mr. Luis Nieves-Ruiz, ECFRPC, Economic Development Director

Mr. Nieves-Ruiz discussed the CEDS program and economic impacts on the region. This includes built environment amenities and natural resource conservation. He also discussed the regional innovation clusters to advance industries across the region and other economic opportunities to increase economic development in the region.

Commissioner Horan stated that in Seminole County, they had their Economic Development Board, based on job development and creation, debrief the people who took these jobs as to why they took the jobs. They mentioned trails, natural lands and recreational facilities. There is an ancillary effect of economic impact and high value of the quality of life. The outdoor resources are large economic drivers.

Commissioner Bonilla was looking into opportunity zones. It is a new program and foresees that we will need to get ahead of it and figure out how to use it and reduce negative impacts. She then discussed what she found out on the program, the trust funds, and profit, and the need to prevent gentrification.
VII. Planning Director’s Report: Projects and Activities Update - Tara McCue, Director of Planning and Community Development, ECFRPC

Ms. McCue gave a brief overview of the Projects and Activities report for the Staff for September and October. She also discussed education opportunities provided to the staff such as a ULI scholarship for Luis Nieves-Ruiz to attend the ULI Fall meeting in Boston; the Florida Annual APA Conference; the Emergency Management E-Plan training, a platform for the emergency preparedness community right-to-know act; and a scholarship for Emergency Management to attend the Houston Hotzone Conference.

She also discussed the Regional Resilience Collaborative Board Subcommittee. At the last Council meeting there was a Resolution adopted by the Council in support of creating a Regional Resilience Collaborative. The role of the subcommittee would be to oversee the progress and outputs of the Regional Resilience Collaborative Framework Development Steering Committee and the RPC staff by providing direction, recommendations and updates and becoming the liaison to the full Board. Ideally, we would like one member from each county or municipality in the county, one or two agency representatives, and the RPC Chair. We would meet after the Council meeting from 12:30 – 2:00 with the first meeting January 16th. The persons volunteering to be part of the Subcommittee include: Chair Lesman, Commissioner Constantine, Commissioner Parks, Commissioner Bonilla, Councilmember Wheeler, Mr. Rocky Randels, Commissioner Janer, and Ms. Parlow.

VIII. Executive Director’s Report

- How Did We Grow – Mr. Harling stated that the RPC is working with Metroplan and has split the project into two phases. The first phase will look at growth trends and conduct a survey. The second phase, How Shall We Grow for the Next Ten Years, is still up for discussion. Since we did not get the grant and will receive no additional money, there will need to be a determination on how to proceed.
- Volkswagen Settlement Update – The RPC is still working with transit and school districts to formalize approach to the funding. The timeline has been pushed out and there will be no submittals until next year. Mr. Harling met with LYNX and they would like us to be the fiscal agent/receiving agency and track the funding that is going out. Some activities would include charging stations and clean-up of air pollution from the busses.
- Oak Hill – Mr. Harling discussed the support we are providing concerning an ordinance for sewer connections.
- Charter School - Orlando – This is a trade school for 18-23 year olds that have not graduated from high school but are interested in learning a trade. The building is 30,000 SF and will need to be renovated to have ten classrooms. The RPC is working with the proprietors to get the school up and running.

IX. Chair’s Report

- 2019 Council Meeting Schedule

X. Brief County Updates – County Representatives

- Lake County – Commissioner Parks announced Olympus, a sports-themed community, which is the first development being proposed with a focus on health and fitness. It is located south of Clermont and part of the Clermont to four corners area. He offered to
provide more details in the future. There were no changes in the county commission as of last night.

- Seminole County – Commissioner Horan stated there are two new Seminole Commissioners; Commissioner Amy Lockhart and, after the recount on Thursday, Commissioner Zembower. Commissioner Constantine thanked Commissioner Horan for his service. Commissioner Horan discussed the importance of the board and having this organization here to convene the communities and continue work as the RPC. He will be involved with the Orlando Economic Partnership.

- Orange County – Commissioner Bonilla announced four new board members. There will be big changes in Orange County with a new mayor and three new commissioners.

- Osceola County – Commissioners Grieb and Janer were re-elected. At Osceola Heritage Park there are new training facilities for Orlando City Soccer. A three-day country music festival is being combined with the rodeo in March. Neo City, Orlando Economic Partnership are top priorities.

- Marion County – Commissioner Moore discussed moving sewer forward by charging availability fees for sewer and water lines. Bond money to fund some septic to sewer. The Cost estimate is a billion dollars so this will not solve it but will help.

- Volusia County – Commissioner Kelley thanked Vice Mayor Matusick. Her perspective and involvement will be missed at the TPO and RPC. One new councilmember has been added. We look forward to what we can accomplish moving forward.

XI. **Next Meeting:** January 16, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

XII. **Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Council, Chair Lesman adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.