

## ZACHARY TAYLOR PARKWAY COMMISSION MINUTES 3.14.01

The regular quarterly meeting of the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission was called to order at 10:15 Am. on Wednesday, March 14, 2001 at the Sherwood Forest Country Club in Baton Rouge, LA by Chairman, J. Curtis Jelks.

Administration of oath of office for new and re appointed Commission alternates was performed by Ellis C. Magee. Marilyn Bateman, alternate from Washington Parish was sworn in for a new term of office.

Mr. Jelks requested Secretary Donald Browning do roll call. Those in attendance included: A. J. Roy, III (Avoyelles) J. Curtis Jelks and Minnie Douglas (E. Feliciana), Patrick Witty and Jerome Lacombe (Pointe Coupee), Vernon McMorris and Ike Jenkins (St. Helena), Jimmy Dubroc, (Rapides), Richard Kent and Dr. Jesse McClendon (Tangipahoa), Marilyn Bateman (Washington) and Donald Browning (W. Feliciana). Mr. Browning declared a quorum was in attendance.

Mr. Jelks recognized guests in attendance including: Bert Babers, President of the W. Feliciana Police Jury, Floyd Younger, Parish Manager of W. Feliciana, Jim Laurent, Assessor, Pointe Coupee, Mark Bonner and Turk Tynes of Demco, Vern Bidwell of W. Feliciana Parish and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Knight of Washington Parish.

Mr. Jelks requested a motion to amend agenda item 5, "Consideration of the minutes of December 13, 2000" to add the words, and minutes of Sept. 2000 meeting. Mr. Kent moved that the item be changed, second by Mr. Witty. Mr. Browning made a roll call vote. All members voted to amend the agenda item. Mr. Roy then moved minutes of the September and December 2000 minutes be approved. Second by Mr. Kent. All voted in favor.

Mr. Witty presented the Treasurer's report (attached to master copy of these minutes). After consideration, motion duly made and seconded, all members voted to accept.

Chairman's Report included an announcement that Neil Wagoner has asked his contract to be terminated due to a work related conflict. Mr. Jelks noted that Mr. Wagoner's work was much appreciated by himself and the Commission.

The Chairman then distributed to the Commission members his budget message in connection with the proposed budget for fiscal year 01/02. (as signed copy of which is attached to the master of these minutes) The Chairman also distributed to Commission members a budget resolution containing the proposed budget for fiscal year 01/02. After discussion, motion duly made and seconded that the resolution be adopted. Motion was adopted by the Commission.

Consideration of the "B-C" alignment versus the "F" alignment for the bridge over the Mississippi between New Roads and St Francisville was then given. Ellis Magee gave a

brief history of the search for sites for the proposed bridge. A discussion on which alignment should be supported by the Commission followed. After discussion and participation from the Commission members and guests, Mr. Kent moved that a resolution concerning the bridge alignment be adopted. Second by Mr. Roy ( copy of this resolution is attached to the master copy of these minutes). After discussion, all members of the Commission with the exception of Mr. Browning voted to adopt this resolution.

Consideration of the extension of the contract with Adams and Reese to the end of the calendar year of 2001 was then given. Motion made by Mr. Roy was duly seconded, and approved by the Commission.

Don Bell gave a report on the development of the new web site  
[www.zacharytaylorparkway.com](http://www.zacharytaylorparkway.com)

Charles East gave a report on the new stationary for the Commission.

Mr. Witty then moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion was duly seconded, and approved by the Commission

Respectfully submitted  
/s/ Donald Browning, Secretary