



Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission

MINUTES

Quarterly Commission Meeting

April 14, 2010

Present

A.J. Roy, III, Avoyelles
 Martin Macdiarmid, East Feliciana
 Patrick Witty, Pointe Coupee
 Scot Byrd, Pointe Coupee
 C.A. "Buck" Vandersteen, Rapides
 Vernon McMorris, St. Helena
 Buck Cefalu, Tangipahoa
 Joseph Boneno, West Feliciana

Absent

Carlos Mayeux, Avoyelles
 Curtis Jelks, East Feliciana
 Bob Stevens, Rapides
 Ike Jenkins, St. Helena
 Dr. Douglas Kent, Tangipahoa
 Bob Bateman, Washington
 Marilyn Bateman, Washington
 Tobias Ford, West Feliciana

The regularly scheduled quarterly meeting of the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission was called to order by Commission Vice Chairman A. J. Roy, III, at 10:13 AM on April 14, 2010 at the LABI Conference Center in Baton Rouge.

Mr. Vandersteen called roll as listed above. With seven parishes represented, a quorum was declared.

Mr. Macdiarmid moved to approve the minutes of January 13, 2010, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Mr. Cefalu and passed with no objection.

The Treasurer's report was given by Mr. Witty with the current financials for Fiscal Year '09-'10 showing:

Beginning Balance	\$ 20,747.81	
		\$ 20,747.81
Expenditures		
Admin/Public Info Services (ZTPA)	\$ 3,930.00	
Professional Services	9,400.00	
Washington, DC Fly In	5,987.18	
Miscellaneous	430.63	
	<u> </u>	<u>(19,747.81)</u>
Balance on Hand		<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>

Mr. Cefalu moved to accept the financials. Mr. Boneno seconded. The motion was approved without objection.

Mr. Witty presented a budget amendment for the 2009-2010 fiscal year recognizing the lack of a legislative appropriation. The amended budget follows:

	Legislative Appropriation	\$ 0.00
	'08-'09 Carryover	<u>20,747.81</u>
	Total Budget	\$ 20,747.81
Administrative & Public Information Services (ZTPA)		3,930.00
Professional Contracts		10,400.00
Travel		6,163.18
Administrative Expenses		200.00
Meeting Expenses		54.63
		<u>\$ 20,747.81</u>



Mr. Macdiarmid moved to approve the budget amendment. Mr. Vandersteen seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

Mr. Roy presented the following chairman’s report on behalf of Mr. Jelks:

- In accordance with state law, Mr. Jelks presented the following budget resolution and budget to the Commission:

MEMORANDUM

TO: *Members of the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission*
 FROM: *J. Curtis Jelks, Chairman*
 SUBJECT: *Budget for Fiscal Year 08-09*

Beginning with Fiscal Year 96/97, the Legislature provided funds in the General Appropriations Acts for expenditure by the Commission. And funds for the Commission have been provided by the Legislature in every subsequent fiscal year except two. For the first three years, these funds were expended primarily in support of the Commission's education program.

As FY 99/00 began, we moved into a new phase of our work. Although our education program continued through use of the video, the brochure, the maps, the logo, new releases and newsletters, the emphasis shifted as we concentrated more of our efforts on (a) obtaining federal funds for the Parkway project, and (b) pressing for the start of construction of the bridge to be built across the Mississippi River between New Roads and West Feliciana Parish (named the John James Audubon Bridge by the Louisiana Legislature).

With construction of the Bridge and its approaches now under way and with completion of the project expected in the summer of 2011, we have achieved a major goal because the bridge is the centerpiece of the Zachary Taylor Parkway. We expect to continue our efforts during the coming fiscal year on presentations to various groups and organizations. We also expect to increase our emphasis on economic development efforts. And we will actively pursue funding for the rest of the Parkway.

The estimated general fund balance at the beginning of FY '09-'10 is \$0, and the estimated general fund balance at the end of the year is \$0. The Commission has no other funds and expects to create no other funds.

The Commission's sole source of funding for FY '10-'11 is an anticipated Legislative Appropriation requested in the amount of \$100,000.

**Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission
'09-'10 Fiscal Year Budget Proposal**

<i>Appropriations Request</i>	<i>\$ 100,000.00</i>
<i>Administrative & Public Information Services (ZTPA)</i>	<i>28,000.00</i>
<i>Professional Services Contracts</i>	<i>26,000.00</i>
<i>Travel</i>	<i>4,000.00</i>
<i>Postage</i>	<i>600.00</i>
<i>Administrative Expenses</i>	<i>300.00</i>
<i>Telephone and Internet</i>	<i>1,200.00</i>
<i>Office Rent</i>	<i>2,400.00</i>
<i>Supplies</i>	<i>1,000.00</i>
<i>Printing and Reproduction</i>	<i>2,500.00</i>
<i>Advertising and Public Relations</i>	<i>4,000.00</i>
<i>Meeting Expenses</i>	<i>4,000.00</i>
<i>Outreach Programs (Economic Dev., Website, Education)</i>	<i>25,000.00</i>
<i>Capital Purchases</i>	<i>1,000.00</i>
	<i>\$ 100,000.00</i>

The Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission was created by Legislative Act #288 in 1992.



On a motion by Mr. Witty, seconded by Mr. Boneno the resolution and budget were approved.

- Ms. Bowen gave a report on the upcoming legislative session.
- Mr. Roy asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Mrs. Mona Jenkins, wife of Commission member Ike Jenkins.

Mr. Wagoner gave a report on items occurring within the Department of Transportation, including the naming of Interim Secretary, Sherri LeBas.

Mr. Dan Broussard gave an update from the Louisiana Department of Transportation on infrastructure developments throughout the Parkway.

Mr. Sam Moore gave an update on the Audubon Bridge which is now scheduled for completion in 2011.

Mr. Vandersteen and Ms. Bowen reminded Commissioners to complete their May 15 ethics report.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Vandersteen moved to adjourn. The motion was duly seconded and adopted without objection. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 14, 2010 in East Feliciana Parish.

Respectfully submitted,

Buck Vandersteen,
Secretary