



Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission

MINUTES

Quarterly Commission Meeting

August 11, 2021

Present

A.J. Roy, III, Avoyelles
Carlos Mayeux, Avoyelles
Martin Macdiarmid, East Feliciana
Patrick Witty, Pointe Coupee
C.A. "Buck" Vandersteen, Rapides
Stewart Hamilton, West Feliciana
David Floyd
Dawn Sholmire, DOTD
Dan Broussard, DOTD
David Latona
Julie Fuselier, Management Team
Maggie Miller, Management Team

Absent

Curtis Jelks, East Feliciana
Jack Daughtry, Rapides
Patty Alford, Washington
Ginger Champagne, Washington
Mayor Clarence Wells, Mayor of Morganza

President AJ Roy, III of Avoyelles Parish called the Quarterly Meeting of the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission to order at 11:04 AM on August 11, 2021, in St. Francisville, LA.

C.A. 'Buck' Vandersteen called roll.

Mr. Roy administered the official swearing in oath of office of Stewart Hamilton of West Feliciana Parish to serve a two-year term on the Zachary Taylor Parkway Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Vandersteen then recognized a quorum.

Mr. Vandersteen then presented the January 13, 2021, Minutes to the board for consideration. Mr. Vandersteen made a motion to approve the January 13, 2021, Minutes. Patrick Witty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Witty reviewed the treasurer's report. He reported the Commission's balance of \$629.55 in the operating account and one outstanding item showing an old liability from ten years ago. The Board of Commissioners discussed the Zachary Taylor Parkway management team making an adjusting journal entry to remove the outstanding liability of \$24,367.97 from the balance sheet. Mr. Witty made a motion to direct the management team to make the necessary adjusting journal entry to remove the outstanding liability of \$24,367.97 from the balance sheet and accept the financial report. Melvin Harvey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



Mr. Roy expressed appreciation to Mr. Harvey and the Bank of St. Francisville for sponsoring the meeting, as well as the officers and the Association board for their service. Mr. Roy also noted the success of the meetings with both Congressman Graves and LADOTD. He reported on his plans to visit with Senator Cassidy regarding the transportation bill and identifying projects relative to the Parkway. Mr. Roy also encouraged board members to contact their local legislators about the needs of the Parkway.

Dawn Sholmire, Statewide Planning Engineer, LADOTD – Transportation Planning Section, gave a historical presentation on the projects along the Parkway. She reviewed past projects as well as the future projects that are approved for funding. She distributed a map of the parkway and noted that the current projects on the map are fully funded. She reviewed the launch of the “Highway and Bridge Plan” in January of 2022. Ms. Sholmire recommended that the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission appear before the council when it comes time.

Julie Fuselier gave a brief update on the Military History Byways. She reported that she met with Sharon Calcote, Executive Director of the Scenic Byways Program, and will begin researching the deficiencies in the program.

Mr. Roy announced the next meeting will be October 13, 2021, at the Southern Forest Heritage Museum in Alexandria, LA at 12:00 noon.

Mr. Witty made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Vandersteen seconded the motion. Mr. Roy adjourned the meeting at 12:02 PM.