



Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission

MINUTES

Quarterly Commission Meeting

State Library of Louisiana- Capitol View Room, Baton Rouge, LA

April 9, 2025

Present

AJ Roy, Avoyelles Parish
J.R. Rouchon, East Feliciana Parish
Toni Melton, St. Helena Parish
Jack Daughtry, Rapides Parish
Melvin Harvey, West Feliciana Parish
Patrick Witty, Pointe Coupee Parish
Louis Hebert, Pointe Coupee Parish
Patty Alford, Washington Parish
Devan Corbello, West Feliciana Parish Tourism
Wilbert Carmouche, Avoyelles Parish
Maggie Guillory, ZTP Management Team
Roderick Matthews, St. Helena Parish
Buck Vandersteen, Rapides Parish
Roy Daryl Adams, LA House of Representatives
Diane Rouchon, Guest
Preston Robinson, Cabildo Strategy Services
George Kennedy, Cabildo Strategy Services

Absent

Ronnie Jett, East Feliciana Parish
Randy DeCuir, Avoyelles Parish
Carlos Mayeux, Avoyelles Parish
Corey Roblin, Avoyelles Parish
Gen. Ron McGlothlin, Washington Parish
Rangle Pittman, Tangipahoa Parish
Sharonda Brown, St. Helena Parish
Jack Daughtry, Rapides Parish
Ron Roe, Rapides Parish
Russell Wilson, Rapides Parish
Sharonda Brown, St. Helena Parish
Joe Thomas, Tangipahoa Parish
Martin Macdiarmid, East Feliciana Parish
Julie Fuselier, ZTP Management Team

A.J. Roy, III of Avoyelles Parish called the Quarterly Meeting of the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission to order at 10:14 AM on April 9, 2025, in Baton Rouge, LA.

Buck Vandersteen called roll and a quorum was recognized.

Mr. Roy went around the room asking members of the audience to introduce themselves. Guest speaker Representative Roy Daryl Adams, Louisiana House of Representatives, addressed commission members and updated them on the legislative session. Guest speakers Preston Robinson and George Kennedy of Cabildo Strategy Services updated commission members of the potential new project in the works with the commission.

Mr. Roy proposed consideration of the January 8, 2025, board meeting minutes. Pat Witty made a motion to approve January 8, 2025, minutes. Buck Vandersteen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Witty reviewed the treasurer's report. He reported the Commission would receive a legislative appropriation of \$100,000. He also reported that the bank balance as of March 31, 2025, was \$10,277.



Mr. Roy provided the chairman's report. He reported that the executive committee has been working hard to develop a plan to make best use of the appropriated funds. Mr. Roy thanked the executive committee for their hard work and diligence. Patty Alford made a motion to give the executive committee the authority to expend the appropriated funds and to enter into the necessary contracts that will help promote the parkway within budget. Mr. Vandersteen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Vandersteen provided a status report on the legislative appropriation. He thanked Mr. Roy for his leadership and the legislators for their support in promoting the parkway. Mr. Vandersteen noted that keeping the legislators informed of how the funds are spent is an important step in securing additional funds in the future.

There was no Executive Director's Report.

There was no Military History Byway Update.

Mr. Roy announced that the next meeting will be held in Avoyelles Parish on July 9, 2025.

Mr. Witty made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Patty Alford seconded the motion. Mr. Roy adjourned the meeting at 12:10 PM.