

MINUTES OF SIXTH MEETING

FEBRUARY 7, 1950

Pursuant to call of the Chairman, the Ohio Turnpike Commission met in regular open session in Room 1012 A, State Office Building, Columbus, at 1:00 o'clock P. M. on February 7, 1950, with members of the press; Mr. Kinneary, First Assistant to the Attorney General of Ohio; Senator Ford of the Ohio General Assembly, and members of the staff of the Ohio Department of Highways also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the roll was called and the attendance was reported to be as follows:

Present: Shocknessy, McKay, Kauer
Absent: Teagarden, Seasongood

Whereupon the Chairman announced that a quorum was present.

A motion was made by Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Shocknessy, that the reading of the minutes of the meeting of January 3, 1950 be dispensed with, and that the minutes of that meeting, as transcribed by the Secretary-Treasurer and furnished to the several members of the Commission prior to this meeting, be approved. A vote by ayes and nays was taken and all members present responded to roll call and voted aye. The vote was as follows:

Ayes, McKay, Kauer, Shocknessy
Nays, None

The Chairman announced the motion adopted.

Thereupon the Chairman announced that consideration of the minutes of the special meeting of January 17 and 18, 1950 would be postponed until the next regular meeting at which time the minutes of the continuation of the special meeting on February 7, 1950 would be available.

The Secretary-Treasurer thereupon reported as to the activities of his office for the period since the preceding regular meeting, summarized as follows:

- a. On Tuesday, January 10, 1950, representatives of the Ohio Turnpike Commission met with representatives of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission in the offices of the Pennsylvania Commission

at Harrisburg. Representatives from Ohio included:
Mr. Shocknessy, Chairman of the Ohio Commission
Mr. McKay, member of the Ohio Commission
Mr. Kauer, ex officio member of the Ohio Commission
Senator Ralph Winter and Charles P. Smith

Discussion was had with respect to the juncture of the Pennsylvania and Ohio turnpikes at the eastern Ohio border. It was agreed that the location as now laid down by the Pennsylvania Commission could be considered to be only approximately determined and that it is subject to minor adjustment to meet desirable locations within Ohio.

Engineers of the Pennsylvania Commission located accurately upon an aerial mosaic of the general area involved in the discussion the location of the Western Extension to the Ohio line. The Director of Highways agreed that his staff would enter at once into a preliminary study of this area to determine a feasible location or alternate locations for an Ohio turnpike adjacent to the Pennsylvania border. Since plans for the Pennsylvania Turnpike must be completed early in 1950, it was agreed that the preliminary findings of the Director of Highways and the tentative agreement of the Ohio Commission as to the Pennsylvania location would be given, if at all possible, by February 7, 1950.

Mr. Evans suggested that the Pennsylvania Commission would be happy to meet again with the Ohio commission and would be agreeable to a joint meeting with the Ohio Commission in Columbus.

- b. On January 31, 1950 the Supreme Court of Ohio heard the oral arguments in the Mandamus action of the Director of Highways against the Director of Finance and the State Auditor. Mr. Lancione and Mr. Bryant of the Attorney General's office represented the Director of Highways. Mr. Ivan Smith of the Attorney General's office represented the Director of Finance and Mr. Drury of the office of the Auditor of State represented the Auditor of State.
- c. The proposed form for the Journal of the Ohio Turnpike Commission has been presented to the Attorney General with the request for his advice as to form.

There being no objections, the report of the Secretary-Treasurer was accepted as read.

Mr. Kinneary thereupon reported for the Attorney General's office that opinion with respect to the Ohio Turnpike Commission seal would be rendered by the Attorney General prior to the next regular meeting. Mr. Kinneary presented to the Commission a complete set of the official documents pertaining to the Mandamus action of the Director of Highways against the Director of Finance and the Auditor of State.

Mr. McKay thereupon reported briefly as to right-of-way and land acquisition procedures by the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission and offered to submit a written report in the matter at a later date.

Mr. Kauer thereupon stated that in the interim since the special meeting of January 17 and 18, 1950 several other consulting firms have indicated a desire to be retained for professional services in connection with the Ohio turnpike. These firms have been requested to furnish information with respect to their organization, experience, and other qualifications.

Thereupon the Chairman requested the Director of Highways to report with respect to his studies of the area in Ohio adjacent to the proposed terminus of the Western Extension to the Pennsylvania Turnpike. The Director of Highways reported as follows:

" In accordance with your request we have made a study of a proposed location of the Pennsylvania Turnpike at the Ohio-Pennsylvania State line to determine the feasibility of this location as effected by the proposed Ohio Turnpike.

We find that the physical characteristics of the area are such that a feasible location can be secured by using the control point established by the westerly extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

In making our studies we find that it becomes necessary to use a two degree reverse curve immediately west of the Ohio-Pennsylvania State line to avoid the development of Petersburg. This also places the proposed Ohio Turnpike slightly north of Petersburg and permits continuing westerly in a valley which adapts itself to a desirable physical location.

It might be well to mention that traffic generated within the urban area of Youngstown would tend to influence

the location of the Ohio Turnpike. We have investigated this possibility and find that this would be entirely feasible and would not necessarily require a change in the location of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. In other words, the terminus of the Pennsylvania Turnpike at the Ohio-Pennsylvania State line as proposed leaves considerable flexibility in the location of the proposed Ohio Turnpike.

Our studies have been limited to the physical characteristics of the area only. We have made no effort to determine the effect traffic service might have upon the location of the proposed Ohio Turnpike, but as stated previously, we are convinced that the influence of traffic service can be given proper recognition by using the recommended turnpike terminus as a control.

We have not prepared any appropriate exhibits to accompany this memorandum; however, if you wish, we shall be glad to indicate the general location as a result of our studies on a copy of the aerial mosaic which covers most of Mahoning County. "

The Director of Highways concluded that the location which the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission has proposed at the Ohio border falls within a one-mile band which would be acceptable to the State of Ohio.

A motion was made by Mr. Shocknessy, seconded by Mr. McKay, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission has determined the approximate location of the terminus at the Ohio border of the Western Extension to the Pennsylvania Turnpike, and has requested the concurrence of the Ohio Turnpike Commission therein;

AND WHEREAS, the Director of Highways has made a tentative physical study of that area of Ohio in the vicinity of the proposed terminus of the Western Extension and has reported that the proposed location at the Ohio border falls within a one-mile band which would be acceptable to the Ohio Department of Highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ohio Turnpike Commission approves the report of the Director of Highways as to the accept-

ability of the proposed terminus of the Western Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike within a one-mile band, and recommends to the Director of Highways that his studies be continued to the point where definite agreement may be reached with the proper Pennsylvania authorities as to the specific point of termination of the Western Extension at the Ohio border.

A vote by ayes and nays was taken and all members present responded to roll call and voted aye. The vote was as follows:

Ayes, McKay, Kauer, Shocknessy
Nays, None

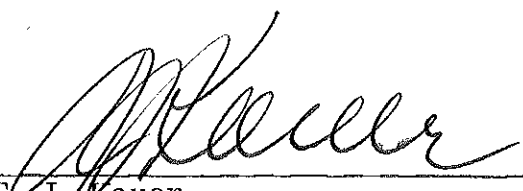
The Chairman announced the motion adopted.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the motion was made by Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Kauer, that the meeting adjourn. A vote by ayes and nays was taken and all members present responded to roll call and voted aye. The vote was as follows:

Ayes, McKay, Kauer, Shocknessy
Nays, None

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned. The time of adjournment was 1:30 o'clock P. M.

Approved as a correct transcript of the proceedings of the Ohio Turnpike Commission.



T. J. Kauer
Secretary-Treasurer

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