

MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH MEETING
February 6, 1968

Pursuant to bylaws the Ohio Turnpike Commission met in regular session in the conference room of the Ohio Department of Highways building at 139 East Gay Street in Columbus, Ohio at 11:00 A. M. on February 6, 1968 with the key members of the staff; a representative, Mr. H. A. Harnden, of the Consulting Engineers; a representative, Mr. P. Joseph Sesler, of the Trustee, and others in attendance.

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

Present: Redman, Chastang, Teagarden, Masheter, Shocknessy.

Absent: None.

The Chairman announced a quorum was present.

A motion was made by Mr. Teagarden, seconded by Mr. Chastang, that the minutes for the meeting of January 2, 1968 which had been examined by the Members of the Commission and on which the corrections suggested by the Members had been made be approved without reading.

A vote by ayes and nays was taken and all Members responded to roll call. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Teagarden, Chastang, Redman, Masheter, Shocknessy.

Nays: None.

The Chairman said the minutes stood adopted with all Members voting in the affirmative.

The Chairman reported that Mr. Teagarden received a certificate signed by President Johnson for his service in the Selective Service and also got letters from Lieutenant General Lewis B. Hershey, Selective Service Director, and Colonel Heber L. Minton, Ohio Selective Service Director. The Chairman and Mr. Chastang asked that the copies of the certificate and the letters be incorporated in the record of the meeting. The certificate reads as follows:

THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Awards this
CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION
to
O. L. TEAGARDEN

in grateful recognition of valuable service contributed to the
Nation and the Selective Service System in the administration
of the Military Selective Service Act of 1967.

Awarded this 19th day of December, 1967.

/s/ James A. Rhodes
Governor

/s/ Lyndon B. Johnson
President of the United States

(SEAL) Attest: /s/ Heber L. Minton
State Director

/s/ Lewis B. Hershey
Director

The letters follow:

National Headquarters
Selective Service System
1724 F Street NW.
Washington, D. C. 20435

Office of the Director

Address Reply to The
Director of Selective Service

December 31, 1967

Dear Mr. Teagarden:

As one of those men whose dedication to duty has led him to
carry the burden of service to his country far and beyond the normal
span of active participation in governmental affairs, there is owing
to you, by your government, a profound debt of gratitude.

The Selective Service System, which provided the backbone
of our armed strength, could not have functioned through periods
of war and emergency without your unselfish assistance. Yours
has been a monumental job well done.

I deeply regret that we have reached this moment of parting
and on behalf of the country you have served devotedly, and of

myself, I extend to you heartfelt appreciation.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lewis B. Hershey

Lewis B. Hershey
Lt. General, USA

Mr. O. L. Teagarden
435 Church Street
Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449

Ohio State Headquarters
Selective Service System
34 North High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

January 30, 1968

In reply refer to:
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Mr. O. L. Teagarden
435 Church Street
Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449

Dear Mr. Teagarden:

The President of the United States has, through the office of the National Headquarters of the Selective Service System, Washington, D. C., issued a Certificate of Appreciation to uncompensated members of the System whose services have been terminated under honorable conditions.

The records at this headquarters indicate that you are qualified to receive this certificate for the services you performed while serving your local board.

I take pleasure in forwarding the enclosed certificate to you, and I wish to express my deep appreciation for the services you rendered which so materially assisted in the

operation of the Selective Service System in the State of Ohio.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Heber L. Minton

Heber L. Minton
Colonel, AGC
State Director

Enclosure

The Chairman reported also that the Commission's Annual Report for 1967 was produced by the Director of Information and Research with his usual erudition and expedition. He said the Commission's reports over the years had been especially good and had reflected the dignity and works of the Commission. He complimented everybody who had anything to do with the report and most especially Mr. James D. Hartshorne, the Director of Information and Research.

The Chairman reported also that the estimated revenue in January 1968 was \$2,098,000 and accordingly it was the first January in which revenue exceeded \$2,000,000. He said the revenue was more than twice that of January of ten years before and was \$131,000 greater than the best previous January which was that of 1967 when revenue was \$1,967,000.

The Chairman reported also that there was one death resulting from an accident on the Ohio Turnpike in January. He said the victim was a truck driver who presumably went to sleep and let his vehicle drift off the road. He said a young serviceman was killed early in February when he lost control of his car while driving at a high rate of speed and the car went across the median and hit a truck.

The Chairman reported also that United States Representative Charles A. Vanik of Cleveland, Ohio had proposed that the Ohio Turnpike be taken over by the United States. He said he had asked the General Counsel to get an opinion from Bond Counsel with respect to the proposal so the Commission would have something in the record from Bond Counsel as to procedure in the event anything further was said or done to require liquidation.

The Chairman reported also that the Interstate Coordinators' Conference was asked by Governor Rhodes to take over the coordination of construction of the interstate highways in Hamilton County. He said the conference had met with the transportation land use study groups from

the Cleveland area and from the Cincinnati area and was arranging for a similar meeting with the Columbus area study group. He said the Governor attended the meetings for Cleveland and Cincinnati and is expected to attend the Columbus meeting.

The Chairman said that in the absence of questions the report of the Chairman was accepted as offered. He said the report of the Secretary-Treasurer would be received.

The Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Soller, reported for the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Chastang, that since the last meeting the following were sent to all Members:

1. Traffic and Revenue Report for December 1967.
2. Financial Statements as of December 31, 1967.
3. Accountants' Report, Financial Statements, December 31, 1967.
4. Cost and Budget Report, Year 1967.
5. Report on Concessionaires, 1967.
6. Detail of investment transactions for January 1968.
7. Draft of the minutes of the January 2, 1968 meeting.

In response to a question about the contract with Brink's, Incorporated, the Executive Director said he had obtained a great deal of information bearing on the subject but had not made a decision. The Chairman said that even though he had indicated his opposition at the last meeting to handling the work with Commission employees, he would have no objection should it develop that it was better for it to be handled that way.

The Chairman said that in the absence of further questions the report of the Secretary-Treasurer was accepted as offered. He ascertained that there would be no report by the Committee on Budget and Finance. He said the report of the Committee on Service Plazas would be received. The chairman of the Committee on Service Plazas, Mr. Teagarden, said the Committee's report would be offered by the Executive Director.

The Executive Director reported for the Committee on Service Plazas that at a meeting of the Commission on January 2, 1968 he made distribution to the Members of the supplementary report of the Consulting

Engineers on "Future Service Plaza Facilities for the Ohio Turnpike". He said that report recommended a single plaza on the north side of the turnpike near the Niles-Youngstown (No. 15) Interchange with access provided directly from the westbound lanes and with eastbound traffic being required to use ramps crossing over the turnpike to reach the plaza. He said the cost estimate for that type facility was \$4,000,000.

The Executive Director said further that the Committee met in Berea on January 5, 1968 to discuss the supplementary report. He said that because of the added cost of approximately one million dollars over the cost of the dual facilities recommended in the initial report the Committee felt that on the basis of service to the public and of economics the expense could not be justified. He said an independent study made by the staff of the Director of Highways arrived at the same conclusion.

The Executive Director said further that the alternative to the plans which had been considered and discarded would be to construct a single facility on the north side to serve westbound traffic only. He said there were suggestions made for proceeding with a service plaza on the north side and for giving consideration to a service station and perhaps a snack bar on the south side to serve eastbound traffic. He said the suggestions were under consideration.

The Executive Director said further that in the report of the Committee made under date of November 14, 1967 the Committee made certain observations with respect to timing in connection with the recommendations of the Consulting Engineers as to other improvements recommended in the initial report. He said information developed since that time indicated that a review of those observations was needed before final recommendations were made. The Executive Director said further that initially the Committee felt that the facility near Interchange No. 15 would be needed first. He said that, however, traffic figures and the way things were developing probably would indicate that relief was going to be needed first in the area of the Middle Ridge and Vermilion Valley Service Plazas.

The Chairman said the Commission approached all proposed changes with some concern for the Department of Highways because there was little the Commission could do of substantial character that would not eventually be the responsibility of the Director of Highways.

The Chairman said the report of the Committee on Service Plazas was accepted as offered. He ascertained there would be no report by the Committee on Employee Relations. He said the report of the Committee on Interchange Development would be received. The chairman of the

Committee on Interchange Development, Mr. Chastang, said the report of the Committee would be presented by the Executive Director.

The Executive Director reported for the Committee on Interchange Development that from time to time he had reported progress in the development of a connection between the Ohio Turnpike and Interstate Routes 80 and 80S in Mahoning County near existing Interchange No. 15. He said that on December 5, 1968 he reported he had received the draft of agreement from the Director of Highways covering the construction of the proposed interchange connection.

The Executive Director said further that the agreement was currently in form acceptable to the staff of the Commission and the Consulting Engineers. He said it provided that all costs of the construction of the highway project should be paid for by the State of Ohio and the new toll plaza should be paid for by the Commission. He said the project included one bridge over the turnpike for interchange ramp traffic and a pair of bridges to carry turnpike roadways over Interstate Route 80S. He said that to accommodate the construction of the pair of bridges both eastbound and westbound traffic would be diverted to a temporary road which would be about 2,200 feet in length - the same type of treatment used in construction of the turnpike bridges over Interstate Route 77 near the Cleveland (No. 11) Interchange. He said the plans for the roadway project provided that the contractor should complete the grading in the area of the toll plaza one year in advance of the completion of the project, which would allow approximately one year to construct the toll plaza. He said one year was ample time for that purpose.

The Executive Director said further that he recommended favorable action be taken on a resolution authorizing the execution of the agreement with the State of Ohio acting by and through the Director of Highways.

A resolution approving contract with the State of Ohio for the construction of Interstate Route No. 80S, passing under the Ohio Turnpike, and to provide an interchange with Interstate Route No. 80 and the Ohio Turnpike, with the required connecting approaches in the vicinity of milepost 219.0 in Mahoning County, Ohio was moved for adoption by Mr. Chastang, seconded by Mr. Redman, as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2-1968

"WHEREAS THE State of Ohio proposes to construct Interstate Route 80S, passing under the Ohio Turnpike, and to provide an interchange with Interstate Route 80 and the Ohio Turnpike with the required connecting approaches;

"WHEREAS the said road construction will require the construction of a pair of bridges to carry the Ohio Turnpike over Interstate Route 80S, together with the construction of a temporary road for Ohio Turnpike traffic, and will further require the construction of a toll plaza for the contemplated interchange;

"WHEREAS representatives of the State of Ohio and of the Ohio Turnpike Commission have considered and discussed the method of such proposed construction, inclusive of the interchange with necessary structures and access roads, including access lanes to and from the Ohio Turnpike and Interstate Routes 80 and 80S, and such consideration and discussion have covered the manner of doing the work, the portion of the work to be done by each of the parties, and the portion of the costs and expenses to be borne by each;

"WHEREAS a form of agreement between the Commission and the Director of Highways, who is authorized on behalf of the State of Ohio to carry forward such projects, has been drafted and is before this meeting; and

"WHEREAS the Commission's Executive Director, Chief Engineer and Consulting Engineer have reviewed said form of agreement and recommend its execution by the Commission; and its terms have been reviewed and approved by the Commission's General Counsel;

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission's Executive Director be, and hereby he is, authorized to enter into an agreement with the State of Ohio as approved by General Counsel substantially in the form presented to this meeting."

A vote by ayes and nays was taken and all Members responded to roll call. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Chastang, Redman, Masheter, Teagarden, Shocknessy.

Nays: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted with all Members voting in the affirmative. The resolution was identified as No. 2-1968.

The Chairman said the report of the Committee on Interchange Development was accepted as offered. He ascertained there would be no report by the Committee on Safety. He said the report of the Executive Director would be received.

The Executive Director reported that at the meeting on July 11, 1967 the Commission gave its approval to the recommendation that efforts be made to dispose of the utility building and appurtenant grounds at old Interchange No. 10 in Strongsville. He said that at its meeting on December 5, 1967 the Commission through Resolution No. 21-1967 authorized the leasing of the premises to the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District. He said that under the authority granted by the Commission a lease with the Park Board was consummated effective January 1, 1968 providing a rental of \$1,800 per year, payable monthly. He said the lease was a ten-year term lease extendable from year to year thereafter so long as the Commission had jurisdiction. He said the lease contained a provision for purchase by the Park Board provided the Commission could convey title satisfactory to the Park Board.

The Executive Director said further that the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District was in possession of the building and was using the premises as a headquarters for its Park Rangers and a central radio station for its operational radio.

The Executive Director reported also that five resurfacing projects had been scheduled for 1968. He said it was hoped to take bids in February on three of the projects as follows: (1) beginning at the Fremont-Port Clinton (No. 6) Interchange and extending easterly thereof a distance of 9.1 miles; (2) beginning at the easterly end of the Cuyahoga River Bridges and extending 9.3 miles easterly, and (3) beginning westerly of the Youngstown (No. 16) Interchange and extending easterly to the Ohio-Pennsylvania line, a distance of 10.5 miles. He said that, additionally, in the spring the two 1967 resurfacing projects would be completed.

The Executive Director said further that the first of the projects scheduled for construction late in the summer and early fall began at the east end of one of the 1967 projects at the Cuyahoga-Lorain County line at Milepost 153.3 and extended easterly a distance of 6.6 miles to a point just east of the Administration Building in Berea. He said the second project began about 4.5 miles westerly of the Warren (No. 14) Interchange and ended about four miles easterly of it.

In response to a question by the Chairman, the Executive Director said the 1968 projects would bring to a total of 72 miles the portion of the roadways resurfaced. He said that during 1969 another 40 to 50 miles would be resurfaced to complete the first phase of the resurfacing program and that a let-up in immediate requirements should be expected in 1970.

The Chairman said that in the absence of further questions, the report of the Executive Director was accepted as offered. He ascertained

there would be no report by the Director of Highways. He said the report of the General Counsel would be received.

The General Counsel reported that since the last meeting he or another member of the law Department had been in attendance at depositions a total of eleven days at Clark Summit in Pennsylvania in connection with the Commission's suit against the International Salt Co.

The General Counsel reported also that progress was being made on examination of ownership parcels as a preliminary to filing a certificate of completion of construction of the Ohio Turnpike. He said the examination revealed the need for procuring a good many releases, including many from utility companies.

The Chairman said that in the absence of questions the report of the General Counsel was accepted as offered. He ascertained there would be no report by the Consulting Engineers or by the Director of Information and Research.

A resolution ratifying actions of administrative officers was moved for adoption by Mr. Teagarden, seconded by Mr. Chastang, as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3-1968

"WHEREAS the executive director, deputy executive director, chief engineer, general counsel, assistant general counsel, secretary-treasurer, assistant secretary-treasurer, comptroller, and the director of information and research of the Commission, have by various written and oral communications fully advised the members of the Commission with respect to their official actions taken on behalf of the Commission since the Commission's last meeting on January 2, 1968, and the Commission has duly reviewed and considered the same;

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

"RESOLVED that all official actions taken by the aforesaid administrative officers of the Commission on its behalf since the Commission's meeting on January 2, 1968 hereby are ratified, approved and confirmed."

A vote by ayes and nays was taken and all Members responded to roll call. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Teagarden, Chastang, Redman, Masheter, Shocknessy.

Nays: None.

The Chairman declared the resolution stood adopted with all Members voting in the affirmative. The resolution was identified as No. 3-1968.

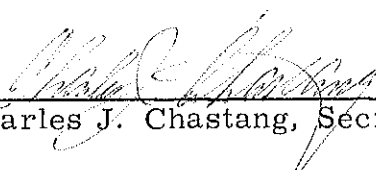
There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made by Mr. Chastang, seconded by Mr. Redman, that the meeting adjourn subject to call of the Chairman. A vote by ayes and nays was taken and all Members responded to roll call. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Chastang, Redman, Masheter, Teagarden, Shocknessy.

Nays: None.

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned. The time of adjournment was 12:20 P. M.

Approved as a correct transcript of
the proceeds of the Ohio Turnpike
Commission



Charles J. Chastang, Secretary-Treasurer