

MINUTES OF THE 322nd MEETING OF THE OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

February 26, 1980

Pursuant to bylaws the Ohio Turnpike Commission met in regular session at the BancOhio National Bank Building at 155 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, at 11:00 a. m. on February 26, 1980, with key members of the staff, a representative, William R. Fleischman, of the Consulting Engineers; two representatives, P. Joseph Sesler and Dan Hearl of the Trustee, BancOhio National Bank; John W. Clark, Special Assistant to the Director of Transportation; a member of the press, Lee Leonard, United Press International; 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: Arthur Haddad, Jo Ann Davidson, Clarence D. Rogers, Jr.

Absent: Ralph H. Anderson

The Chairman said that the meeting was the 322nd of the Ohio Turnpike Commission and it was being held at the BancOhio National Bank Building at the invitation of the Trustee, BancOhio National Bank, for the convenience of the Columbus-area Members and participants. He said that Mr. Anderson was out of the state and unable to attend the meeting. He said also Mr. Weir could not attend but he had sent the Assistant Director, Arthur Haddad, who had been properly designated to substitute for Mr. Weir and was legally authorized to vote. He said that a quorum was present and the official business of the Commission could be conducted.

A motion was made by Mrs. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Haddad that the minutes of the meeting of December 18, 1979, which had been examined by the Members and on which the corrections suggested by the Members had been made, including one minor change on a page included in the Members' folders, be approved without reading.

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

Ayes: Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Haddad, Mr. Rogers

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the minutes stood approved with all Members present voting in the affirmative.

The Chairman said, that as was customary in his report, he would give a brief summary of the Commission's financial experience since the last meeting and also total figures for the year of 1979.

The Chairman reported that Turnpike total revenues for 1979 amounted to \$53,786,995, which was just \$62,909 or 0.1% higher than those recorded in 1978. He said that actually, toll revenue was down \$1,013,194 but this was offset by higher service station and investment income. He said that in fact, passenger car revenue was down \$1,772,175, while commercial revenue was up \$768,981. He said that bonds retired in 1979 totalled \$11,113,000, reducing the debt to \$26,858,000 at the end of the year.

The Chairman reported further that total revenues for January 1980 were \$3,578,984, 2.6% higher than January 1979. He said estimated total revenues for February 1980 were \$3,352,000, down 0.4% from February 1979.

The Chairman reported further that traffic statistics for the months of January and February 1980 showed a slight reversal of the trends experienced in 1979. He said specifically, passenger car travel on the Turnpike increased, while the number of commercial vehicles using the road decreased.

The Chairman reported further that compared to last year, toll revenue from passenger cars was up 3.0% in January and was projected to increase 5.2% in February. He said that at the same time, commercial vehicle toll revenue was down 2.7% in January and was expected to decrease 8.0% in February, which could be a signal to the state of the nation's economy.

The Chairman reported further that in January, the Commission's Trustee, BancOhio National Bank, purchased on the open market and thus retired outstanding Turnpike revenue bonds in the face amount of \$1,271,000. He said that with the latest purchases, bonds outstanding amounted to \$25,587,000 of the original \$326,000,000 issued.

The Chairman reported also that on January 31, Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Johnson delivered in person copies of the Commission's annual report for 1979 to Governor Rhodes and also to the offices of the legislative leaders and the Senate and House clerks. He said the report also had been mailed to all members of the General Assembly, to elected state officials and to newspapers, television and radio stations throughout the state and other interested persons. He said he wanted to thank and congratulate the staff, particularly Bob Barnett and Jean Floasin, on another fine effort.

The Chairman reported also that he wanted to mention that the environmental and engineering studies authorized by the Commission were well underway and the initial public involvement phase had generated substantial publicity and editorial comment. He said he was sure Mr. Johnson would elaborate in his report.

The Chairman reported also that there were three resolutions to be considered by the Commission at the meeting. He said drafts of the resolutions to award resurfacing contracts had been placed in the Members' folders. He said they would be explained and presented during the Executive Director's report. He said tabulations of the bids were forwarded to the Members previously.

The Chairman said that in the absence of any questions the report of the Chairman was accepted as offered. He said the report of the Secretary-Treasurer would be received. He said the report of the Secretary-Treasurer, presented by the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Allan V. Johnson, in the absence of Mr. Anderson, would be received.

The Assistant Secretary-Treasurer reported that since the last meeting the following had been sent to all Members.

1. Year End Release of Year 1979 and Month End Release for December 1979
2. Weekly Traffic Statistics
3. Detail of Investment Transactions which took place in December 1979 and January 1980
4. Financial Statement - December 31, 1979
5. Traffic and Revenue Report for December 1979 and Summary for the Year 1979
6. Litigation Report for the Quarter Ending December 31, 1979
7. Traffic Accident Analysis Report through December 31, 1979 and January 31, 1980
8. Summary of Bond Purchases - Year 1979
9. Expense and Budget Report - Year 1979
10. Report on Concessionaires - Year 1979
11. Draft of the Minutes of the December 18, 1979 meeting
12. Accountants' Report, Financial Statements - December 31, 1979

The Chairman said the report of the Secretary-Treasurer was accepted as offered. He said the report of the Committee on Budget and Finance would be received.

In the absence of the chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance, Mr. Anderson, the Committee's vice chairman, Mr. Johnson, reported that the Commission finished 1979 more than \$816,000 or 3.4% under budget for the year. He said a great deal of the reduction in expenditures could be attributed to the relatively mild winter weather, which resulted in less time and materials expended for snow and ice control on the road. He said the mild weather had carried over into January 1980 and, therefore, the Commission was more than \$426,000 or 15.7% under budget for the one month.

Mr. Johnson said further that subsequent to the December meeting, at which time the budget for 1980 had been adopted, copies of the Commission's budget had been distributed to all members of the Ohio General Assembly, according to law, and he had not heard anything positive or negative from any of them, so he assumed that no members of the General Assembly had any real concern about the Commission's budget. He said that, also according to the current state law, copies of the Commission's budget had gone to the Office of Budget and Finance and to the Legislative Budget Office of the Legislative Service Commission.

The Chairman said the report of the Committee on Budget and Finance was accepted as offered. He said the report of the Committee on Service Plazas would be received.

The chairman of the Committee on Service Plazas, Mrs. Davidson, said that since the last Commission meeting, the committee and the Executive Director granted price adjustments on selected standard menu items, which had been requested prior to the first of the year by both restaurant operators. She said that although increases were granted on nearly all items, they were moderate and all prices were competitive with comparable off-turnpike restaurant prices. She said that because both restaurant operators expressed a preference for changing the specifications for the hamburger and cheeseburger, the Committee recommended that the 4-1 hamburger and cheeseburger be added to the Controlled Menu in lieu of the 7-1 hamburger and cheeseburger.

Mrs. Davidson said further that in conjunction with the experiment undertaken by Gladieux Corporation at the Wyandot Service Plaza, the Executive Director approved plans for Gladieux to remodel the snack bar area at Wyandot in order to improve service to the travelling public and to enhance the appearance of the plaza. She said that since the remaining term of the concession contract was not sufficient to amortize the cost of the improvements, Gladieux had requested that the Commission reimburse it for the unamortized amount of the investment when the road goes toll free. She said that recognizing that certain improvements to the service plaza operation should be made during the Commission's jurisdiction over the facilities, an agreement was being readied to provide for the Commission to reimburse the operators for any improvements which were made between now and the time the contracts expired, as long as the improvements have the approval of the Commission in advance of their being made.

Mrs. Davidson said further that at the last meeting, she reported it had been determined that the underground fuel storage and distribution systems for the service station operation needed to be replaced. She said that since that time the Commission's consulting engineers had been asked to provide engineering studies and to prepare plans for the underground fuel distribution systems at all 16 service plazas. She said preliminary work was under way and it was expected that she would have more to report on that at the next Commission meeting.

The Chairman said the report of the Committee on Service Plazas was accepted as offered. He ascertained there would be no report from the Committee on Employee Relations. He said the report of the Director of Transportation would be received.

In the absence of Mr. Weir, Mr. Haddad said he wanted briefly to comment on a bond proposal before the Ohio General Assembly to provide additional financing for the Ohio Department of Transportation. He said an earlier proposal had not met with general acceptance and there had been further discussions on possibly scaling down the bond proposal so that it would be more fiscally manageable. He said that Mr. Weir was not at the Commission meeting because he was meeting with leaders of the General Assembly to arrive at a compromise that would provide the funding the department needed. He said he felt the bond proposal being discussed was fiscally manageable and would not create burdens in the future on the department.

The Chairman said he understood that a deadline had been established by which the state legislature had to act if the proposed bond issue were to be placed on the June primary ballot.

Mr. Haddad said he thought the deadline was either March 3rd or March 6th, and, in either case, he thought an agreement between the department and the General Assembly would be made by then.

The Chairman said the report of the Director of Transportation was accepted as offered. He ascertained there would be no report from the Committee on Safety. He said the report of the Executive Director would be accepted as offered.

The Executive Director said that, as the Members were aware, bids had been taken on three separate projects for Turnpike resurfacing in 1980. He said tabulations of the bids had been furnished to the Members, along with a summary of the bids. He said the bids had been reviewed by the Commission's consulting engineers, by the Commission's staff and he had discussed them in detail with Mr. Anderson. He said he could summarize by saying that in all three projects, the low bids received were under our engineer's estimates. He said he considered the bids to be proper and, in all cases, he, the consulting engineers and the staff recommended that the awards be made to the low bidders and that they be made on the alternate to use stone or gravel as the aggregate in the asphalt. He said Mr. Anderson was in full agreement with the recommen-

dations and would have offered the resolution had he been at the meeting.

A resolution awarding Contract RMP 59-80-01 was moved for adoption by Mr. Haddad, seconded by Mrs. Davidson as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 1 - 1980

"WHEREAS, the Commission has duly advertised according to law for bids upon a contract for repairs, resurfacing and guardrail improvement of original construction, Sections C-27 between Milepost 127.3 and Milepost 132.0 in Erie County, Ohio, which contract is designated Contract RMP 59-80-01, and proof of said advertising, together with the bids received, is before this meeting;

"WHEREAS, four bids for the performance of said contract were received and were duly opened and read as provided in the published notice for said bids;

"WHEREAS, said bids have been analyzed by the Commission's consulting engineer and by its deputy executive director-chief engineer and they have reported thereon with respect to said analyses, and they, and also the Commission's executive director, have made their recommendations predicated upon such analyses;

"WHEREAS, all bids for said contract were solicited on the basis of the same terms and conditions and the same specifications with respect to all bidders and potential bidders, and the bid of Ohio Road Paving Company of Columbus, Ohio in the amount of \$779,062.00 for the performance of Contract RMP 59-80-01 using crushed stone or gravel in the surface course has been determined by the Commission to be the lowest and best of all bids received and the Commission has been advised by its general counsel that said bid conforms to the requirements of Section 5537.04 of the Revised Code of Ohio, and to the terms, conditions and specifications and to the legal notice applicable thereto, and accordingly, the Commission may legally accept said bid as the lowest and best of all bids for the performance of the work required under said contract, and of the incidental obligations thereof; and

"WHEREAS, the Commission is satisfied with the capacity of said bidder to perform its obligations pursuant to its proposal;

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

"RESOLVED that the bid of Ohio Road Paving Company of Columbus, Ohio, in the amount of \$779,062.00 for the performance of Contract RMP 59-80-01 using crushed stone or gravel in the surface course is, and is by the Commission, determined to be the lowest and best of all bids received for the performance of said contract, and is accepted, and that the chairman and executive director, or either of them, hereby is authorized (1) to execute a contract with said successful bidder in the form heretofore prescribed by the Commission pursuant to the aforesaid bid, and upon the condition that said successful bidder shall furnish a performance bond as heretofore approved by the Commission,

(2) to direct the return to the other bidders of their bid security, (3) to direct the return to the successful bidder of its bid security when the aforesaid contract has been duly executed, and the performance bond furnished, and (4) to take any any all action necessary or proper to carry out the terms of said bid and of said contract. "

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

Ayes: Mr. Haddad, Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Rogers

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the resolution stood adopted with all Members present voting in the affirmative. The resolution was identified as No. 1-1980.

A resolution awarding Contract RMP 59-80-02 was moved for adoption by Mr. Haddad, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, as follows:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2-1980

"WHEREAS, the Commission has duly advertised according to law for bids upon a contract for repairs, resurfacing and guardrail improvement of original construction, Sections C-22, C-23 and C-24 from Milepost 144.0 to Milepost 153.5 in Lorain and Cuyahoga Counties, Ohio, which contract is designated Contract RMP 59-80-02, and proof of said advertising, together with the bids received, is before this meeting;

"WHEREAS, four bids were received for the performance of the contract, and said bids were duly opened and read as provided in the published notice for bids;

"WHEREAS, said bids have been analyzed by the Commission's consulting engineer and by its deputy executive director-chief engineer and they have reported thereon with respect to said analyses, and they, and also the Commission's executive director, have made their recommendations predicated upon such analyses;

"WHEREAS, all bids for said contract were solicited on the basis of the same terms and conditions and the same specifications with respect to all bidders and potential bidders, and the bid of Northern Ohio Paving Company of Twinsburg, Ohio, in the amount of \$3,329,595.00 for the performance of Contract RMP 59-80-02 using crushed stone or gravel in the surface course has been determined by the Commission to be the lowest and best of all bids received, and the Commission has been advised by its general counsel that said bid conforms to the requirements of Section 5537.04 of the Revised Code of Ohio, and to the terms, conditions and specifications and to the legal notice applicable thereto, and accordingly, the Commission may legally accept said bid as the lowest and best of all bids for the performance of the work required under said contract, and of the incidental obligations thereof; and

"WHEREAS, the Commission is satisfied with the capacity of said bidder to perform its obligations pursuant to its proposal;

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

"RESOLVED that the bid of Northern Ohio Paving Company of Twinsburg, Ohio, in the amount of \$3,329,595.00 for the performance of Contract RMP 59-80-02 using crushed stone or gravel in the surface course is, and is by the Commission, determined to be the lowest and best of all bids received for the performance of said contract, and is accepted, and that the chairman and executive director, or either of them, hereby is authorized (1) to execute a contract with said successful bidder in the form heretofore prescribed by the Commission pursuant to the aforesaid bid, and upon the condition that said successful bidder shall furnish a performance bond as heretofore approved by the Commission, (2) to direct the return to the other bidders of their bid security, (3) to direct the return to the successful bidder of its security when the aforesaid contract has been duly executed, and the performance bond furnished, and (4) to take any and all action necessary or proper to carry out the terms of said bid and of said contract."

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

Ayes: Mr. Haddad, Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Rogers

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the resolution stood adopted with all Members present voting in the affirmative. The resolution was identified as No. 2-1980.

A resolution awarding Contract RMP 59-80-03 was moved for adoption by Mr. Haddad, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, as follows:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 3 - 1980

"WHEREAS, the Commission has duly advertised according to law for bids upon a contract for repairs, resurfacing and guardrail improvement of original construction, Sections C-1, C-2 and C-3 between Milepost 230.6 and Milepost 241.2 in Mahoning County, Ohio, which contract is designated Contract RMP 59-80-03, and proof of said advertising, together with the bids received, is before this meeting;

"WHEREAS, two bids for the performance of said contract were received and were duly opened and read as provided in the published notice for said bids;

"WHEREAS, said bids have been analyzed by the Commission's consulting engineer and by its deputy executive director-chief engineer and they have reported thereon with respect to said analyses, and they, and also the Commission's executive director, have made their recommendations predicated upon such analyses;



"WHEREAS, all bids for said contract were solicited on the basis of the same terms and conditions and the same specifications with respect to all bidders and potential bidders, and the bid of City Asphalt and Paving Company of Youngstown, Ohio, in the amount of \$3,500,473.90 for the performance of Contract RMP 59-80-03, using crushed stone or gravel in the surface course and using temporary access, has been determined by the Commission to be the lowest and best of all bids received, and the Commission has been advised by its general counsel that said bid conforms to the requirements of Section 5537.04 of the Revised Code of Ohio, and to the terms, conditions and specifications and to the legal notice applicable thereto, and accordingly, the Commission may legally accept said bid as the lowest and best of all bids for the performance of the work required under said contract, and of the incidental obligations thereof; and

"WHEREAS, the Commission is satisfied with the capacity of said bidder to perform its obligations pursuant to its proposal;

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

"RESOLVED that the bid of City Asphalt and Paving Company of Youngstown, Ohio, in the amount of \$3,500,473.90 for the performance of Contract RMP 59-80-03, using crushed stone or gravel in the surface course and using temporary access, is, and is by the Commission, determined to be the lowest and best of all bids received for the performance of said contract, and is accepted, and that the chairman and executive director, or either of them, hereby is authorized (1) to execute a contract with said successful bidder in the form heretofore prescribed by the Commission pursuant to the aforesaid bid, and upon the condition that said successful bidder shall furnish a performance bond as heretofore approved by the Commission, (2) to direct the return to the other bidder of its bid security, (3) to direct the return to the successful bidder of its bid security when the aforesaid contract has been duly executed, and the performance bond furnished, and (4) to take any and all action necessary or proper to carry out the terms of said bid and of said contract."

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

Ayes: Mr. Haddad, Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Rogers

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the resolution stood adopted with all Members voting in the affirmative. The resolution was identified as No. 3-1980.

The Executive Director said that before turning over a portion of his report to G. Alan Plain, Deputy Executive Director-Chief Engineer, who would give a brief rundown of some of the projects under way, he wanted to mention that there were some items of legislation that had come up in the

Ohio General Assembly affecting the Commission. He said that House Bill 245, which would provide toll-free use of the Turnpike for senior citizens and had been introduced in 1979, came up again in January 1980. He said he and Louis Disantis, Director of Administrative Services, had testified at separate hearings as opponents to the bill because it was in conflict with a provision of the Commission's Trust Agreement. He said the bill had been referred to a subcommittee of the Committee that had been hearing it and he had not heard anything further about any action having been taken by the subcommittee. He said he expected that, if the subcommittee anticipated acting on the bill, the Commission would be informed in order that the legal problems standing in the way of adoption of the bill might be further explained.

The Chairman suggested that the Commission's legal counsel prepare an opinion clarifying the manner in which the bill would violate a section of the Trust Agreement.

The Executive Director said he already had the Commission's fiscal and bond counsel, Squire, Sanders and Dempsey look at the situation. He said a brief review indicated that the bill would be unconstitutional. He said Squire, Sanders and Dempsey had discovered cases, some of which had gone all the way to the Supreme Court for a decision, which would be beneficial to the Commission in further preparing its opposition to the bill. He said that information would be followed by additional efforts from the Commission's general counsel in the event the measure came before the Committee again.

The Executive Director said further that copies of Senate Joint Resolution 31 had been included in the Commission Members' folders. He said S. J. R. 31, introduced by State Senator Kenneth R. Cox, would put the issue of keeping tolls to a vote for constitutional change, amend the state constitution to add a provisions that, "... in connection with any turnpike, toll road, or toll bridge..." which appeared to be ready to go toll free, that issue would be presented to the electors in the state. He said a hearing on that joint resolution would be held on February 26, 1980, and he would be attending it. He said he had discussed the resolution briefly with Senator Cox and hoped to talk to him further before the committee met.

The Executive Director said also that as the Members were aware, a consultant agreement had been executed with Dalton·Dalton·Newport in early January to conduct environmental and engineering studies regarding the future of the Turnpike. He said the studies had begun and the first of a series of public meetings, the initial phase of the public involvement process of the studies, had been concluded. He said there were five meetings held in February at five separate locations across the state from Toledo to Youngstown. He said that although the attendance at the meetings had not been startling, between 40 and 60 people at each one, the whole process and the publicity that developed from them, copies of which the Members had received, had served to kick the whole thing off. He said that not only were there a great number of newspaper stories about the meetings, but also there had been television and radio coverage. He said that in addition, the meetings had generated quite a bit of editorial comment and response from newspapers and most of it had been

favorable. He said there had been one unfortunate editorial in the Akron Beacon Journal on February 18, 1980, titled "New turnpike plans add to case for keeping tolls," which had erroneous information in it. He said he responded to the editorial and his letter had been printed in the newspaper with what he considered to be an apology for the inaccurate information used in the editorial. He said that even though the newspaper had taken a stand that the tolls should be retained after the final Turnpike bonds had been retired, its editorial staff was not quarreling with what the Commission was doing in trying to pin down what should be done to the road if indeed it did become free of tolls.

The Executive Director said Mr. Clark had attended all the meetings along with some members of the Commission's staff as the representative of the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation and he might want to comment.

Mr. Clark said he commended the Executive Director for the excellent fashion in which the meetings had been conducted. He said he thought Dalton·Dalton·Newport had outstanding visual aids prepared for the meetings. He said he thought the studies were off to a good start.

The Executive Director said that among the questionnaires distributed at the meetings for those attending to fill out there had not been one adverse comment about how they were conducted.

The Executive Director said Mr. Plain would then present his projects report.

Mr. Plain said there had been some repeated delays in shipment of accessory items needed to complete Contract RMP 38-78-7, installation of radio communication console equipment. He said the delayed items had nothing to do with the basic use of the equipment and it had been in operation. He said Contract RMP 38-78-12, replacement of microwave communications equipment, was 98 percent complete and he expected it to be finished by the end of March. He said Contract RMP 39-79-02, construction of traffic control rumble strips, had been awarded to the Bates Construction Company and work, which was scheduled to begin on February 25th, had been delayed because of inclement weather.

Mr. Plain said further that Contract RMP 48-78-01, the computer room environmental control equipment, would be completed around March 15. He said the gasoline pump and tank installation at the Berea Administration Building by the Commission's maintenance crews, Contract RMP 48-79-03, was finished and in service. He said only minor seeding and grading of land around the area needed to be done and that work would be undertaken in the spring.

Mr. Plain said further that completion of the first phase of the service plaza rest room expansion and remodeling, Contract RMP 53-78-05, would be done in March. He said a delay had occurred due to repairs brought about

by vandalism. He said the second phase of the rest room additions and remodeling, RMP 53-79-03, was also expected to be finished in April.

Mr. Plain said further that construction of an additional traffic lane at Westgate, RMP 58-79-03, had been completed with the exception of minor land grading and seeding which would be done in the spring. He said landscape development at Mahoning Valley and Glacier Hills service plazas, RMP 61-79-02, was complete. He said work would begin as soon as weather permitted on the landscape screen planting at the Boston Maintenance Building, Contract RMP 61-79-03. He said repairs to the Eastgate toll plaza utility building, damaged in a truck accident, were completed with the exception of replacement of the front door, a special order which had yet to arrive.

The Chairman said the report of the Executive Director was accepted as offered. He said the report of General Counsel would be received.

In the absence of General Counsel, Francis K. Cole, Assistant General Counsel, Philip A. Loftus, said that in late January a brief had been filed by Stacey and the Commission filed a reply brief in early February.

The Chairman said the report of General Counsel was accepted as offered. He ascertained there would be no report from the consulting engineers. He said the report of the Trustee would be accepted.

Mr. Sesler said that of the total face value amount of bonds tendered in January, \$38,000 face value of bonds had been called in December 1979. He said that on February 25 bonds in the face amount of \$40,000, the previous \$38,000 of called bonds added to a carryover of \$2,000 in the redemption account, were purchased. He said an update on the December 1978 call showed that bonds in the face amount of \$664,000 still had not been turned in, which was 12.2% of the 1978 call. He said that of the December 1979 call, bonds in the face amount of \$2,358,000, or 52.0% were yet to be submitted for redemption. He said that he did not have the latest information from the paying agents, and hopefully a substantial amount would have been paid which he had not reported at the meeting.

The Chairman said the report of the Trustee was accepted as offered. He ascertained there would be no report from the Director of Information and Research.

The Chairman said he would accept a motion to adjourn the meeting until April, with the precise date of the next meeting to be determined after further consultation with the Members. He said the meeting place also would be determined after further consultation and, of course, the meeting was being adjourned with the understanding that a meeting was subject to call of the Chairman as provided in the bylaws.

Mrs. Davidson said that prior to offering that motion she would like to

thank the Chairman for coming to Columbus for the convenience of the Columbus Members, particularly that morning, and she also wished to thank all the members of the Commission's staff in attendance for making the trip.

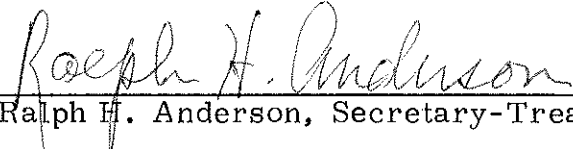
There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made by Mrs. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Haddad, that the meeting adjourn until April, subject to call of the Chairman. A vote of ayes and nays was taken and all Members responded to roll call. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Haddad, Mr. Rogers

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned. The time of adjournment was 11:38 a. m.

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

  
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Ralph H. Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer