

**MINUTES OF THE 478<sup>th</sup> “SPECIAL” MEETING OF  
THE OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION**

**May 24, 2002**

Pursuant to the bylaws, the Ohio Turnpike Commission met for a “Special” meeting at the Commission’s Administration Building at 10:18 a.m. on May 24, 2002, with members of the staff: Gino Zomparelli, Executive Director and Assistant-Secretary Treasurer, Daniel Castrigano, Deputy Executive Director-Chief Engineer; Thomas Amato, General Counsel.

The Chairman then called the meeting to order and requested the Asst. Secretary-Treasurer to call the roll.

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

Ayes: Mo Darwish (for Gordon Proctor); Mr. Wilkins; Mr. Dixon, Mr. Strnisha and Mr. Greenwood  
Absent: Senator Armbruster, Rep. Buehrer.

The Chairman advised that Mr. Darwish is here today representing Gordon Proctor, Director of Ohio Dept. of Transportation and is authorized to vote for him. I’d like everyone here to introduce themselves just so we have it on the record.

Ohio Turnpike representatives: Tim Ujvari, Tim Escola, Sharon Isaac, Kathy Dolbin, Jim Steiner, Rob Fleischman, Lauren Hakos Dehrmann Diane Pring and John Peca (Climaco Lefkowitz firm.)

This is the Commission’s 478th meeting of the Ohio Turnpike Commission. We are meeting here in the Commission’s headquarters as provided for in the Commission’s Code of Bylaws for a “Special” meeting.

The minutes of the last Commission Meeting of May 13, 2002 have been distributed to the Members for their comments, and I will accept a motion to adopt them without reading.

The minutes were moved for adoption by Mr. Darwish and seconded by Mr. Wilkins. A vote of ayes and nays was taken and all Members present responded to roll call as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Darwish-yes; Mr. Wilkins-yes; Mr. Dixon-yes;  
Mr. Strnisha-yes; Mr. Greenwood-yes.

Nays : None.

The minutes of the May 13, 2002 meeting are adopted.

The Chairman advised there will be no staff reports received, and we will go back to our usual format at the next regularly scheduled meeting in June. The items on today's agenda are more appropriately discussed in executive session.

The Chairman then stated that before he entertains a motion, a kind of a personal privilege – so the record reflects – I think it was back in the March meeting, we had a vote on a contract that involved the Stanford Thal Company and I believe I abstained because I didn't know whether our law firm represented them or not. I forgot to do this at the May meeting. I went back and checked our records and our firm does not represent that firm any more. It hasn't for quite some time. So there is no need to do anything other than I wanted the record to reflect that I did make that inquiry. I want to make the record clear even though I did abstain, we do not represent them.

The Chairman said now he would like to entertain a motion to adjourn to executive session.

Mr. Strishna moved to adjourn this meeting to hold an executive session in order to discuss collective bargaining issues, the Inspector General's investigation and to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by law. At the end of such executive session, the Commission shall re-convene.

The Chairman asked for a second. Mr. Darwish seconded the motion. The Chairman asked that roll be called:

Mr. Strnisha-yes; Mr. Darwish-yes; Mr. Dixon-yes; Mr. Wilkins-yes; and Mr. Greenwood-yes. (Time: 10:30 a.m.)

The Chairman then said that we are now going into executive session, and I assume that somebody has made arrangements that when Senator Armbruster comes to have him join us in executive session – right? Because I know he is coming. Thank you.

The Chairman stated that he'd like the record to reflect that at 12:48 p.m. the Commission came out of executive session and I will entertain a motion to adjourn until our next regularly scheduled meeting on June 10, 2002.

Mr. Strnisha moved and Mr. Darwish seconds. Please call the roll.

Mr. Strnisha-yes; Mr. Darwish-yes; Mr. Dixon-yes; Mr. Wilkins-yes; Mr. Greenwood-yes. (Time: 12:50 p.m.)

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