

Joint Legislative Committee on Capital Outlay

Minutes of Meeting
2016 Interim Session
October 13, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Abramson called the meeting to order in House Committee Room 6, of the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:45 a.m. The secretary called the roll and a quorum was established.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Neil C. Abramson, chairman
Representative Joseph Bouie, Jr.
Representative Chris Broadwater
Representative Paula Davis
Representative Phillip R. DeVillier
Representative Stephen C. Dwight
Representative Jimmy Harris
Representative Stephanie Hilferty
Representative Dodie Horton
Representative Mike Huval
Representative Barry Ivey
Representative Edward C. "Ted" James, II
Representative Robert A. Johnson
Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr.
Representative Christopher J. Leopold
Representative James H. "Jim" Morris
Representative Julie Stokes
Representative Thomas P. Willmott

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Speaker Taylor Barras
Representative Kenneth E. Havard
Representative Cameron Henry
Representative Marcus L. Hunter
Speaker Pro Temp Walter Leger, III
Representative John C. "Jay" Morris, III
Representative Major Thibaut

SENATORS:

President Alario, Ex-Officio
Senator Jean-Paul "JP" Morrell, vice chairman
Senator Yvonne Dorsey-Colomb
Senator Dale M. Ervey

Senator Eddie J. Lambert
Senator Gerald Long
Senator W. Jay Luneau
Senator Barrow Peacock

Senator James R. "Jim" Fannin
Senator K. Eric LaFleur
Senator John R. Smith

Senator Neil Riser
Senator Gary L. Smith, Jr.
Senator Mack Bodi White

III. STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ashley Albritton, Capital Outlay Specialist
Penny Bouquet, Administrative Secretary
Linda Hopkins, Committee Secretary
Alison Pryor, House Deputy Director
Elise Read, House Senior Legislative Analyst
Anita Carr, Senate Administrative Secretary
Martha S. Hess, Senate Counsel
Bobbie Hunter, Senate Senior Budget Analyst
Daniel Leming, House Sergeant at Arms
Joshua Marcelle, Senate sergeant at arms
Sheldon Jolliffe, Senate sergeant at arms

IV. DISCUSSION

The first item on the agenda was to approve the minutes from the last JLCCO meeting, held on January 29, 2016. Representative Broadwater offered a motion to adopt the minutes from the January 29, 2016, meeting. Representatives Abramson, Bouie, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Harris, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Johnson, Landry, Leopold, "Jim" Morris, Stokes, and Willmott voted yea; Senators Alario, Morrell, Dorsey-Colomb, Erdey, Lambert, Long, Luneau, Peacock, Fannin, LaFleur, Riser, Gary L. Smith, Jr., John R. Smith, and White voted yea. Without objection, the minutes were adopted.

Representative Abramson stated the purpose of today's meeting was to review the proposed Capital Outlay lines of credit that would be discussed at the Bond Commission meeting on October 20, 2016.

Representative Abramson described documentation included in members' folders, as well as the role of the Bond Commission with regard to projects associated with House Bill No. 2. He also indicated his goal is to have an open, transparent discussion. (See Exhibits A through D)

Mr. Mark Moses, facility planning and control, Division of Administration, P. O. Box 94095, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, (225) 342-9654 informed the committee that the Bond Commission meets the third Thursday of every month; prior to that, the items are sent to the Joint Legislative Commission on Capital Outlay which is the purpose of today's discussion. He outlined the capacity issue referencing the statutory limit on what the Bond Commission can approve in cash lines of credit.

Present to speak on behalf of his district, Representative Leopold requested an item to be added to the October Bond Commission Meeting. For the record, Representative Leopold stated that the 50-NIL YMCA, New Orleans/Belle Chase, was a post-Katrina project from Phillips 66 who donated \$5 million. Presently, there is additional expansion going on to the original YMCA building, while \$850,000 of privately raised money is sitting in an account, while Representative Leopold has \$700,000 in Priority 1 money that did not get included in the October Bond Commission meeting.

Representative Abramson reminded Mr. Leopold that the committee has no authority to add or delete items to the Bond Commission's agenda.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Abramson adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Neil C. Abramson, chairman