

President, General Manager and

International Board of Directors of the Jefferson

Highway Association in the Seventh Annual

Meeting Assembled in the Connor Hotel,

in Joplin, Missouri, on the 16th

and 17th day of January, 1923:

We, the undersigned, Harry A. Russell, Vice-President, Paul Russell, Marion Coulter and H. P. Hatfield, Directors for the State Association for the State of Kansas, respectfully make to you and your honorable body the following protests; against the things that have been done in connection with handling the affairs of the Jefferson Highway Association in the State of Kansas:

First, - We protest against the pretended meeting held in Pittsburg, Kansas, on March 23rd, 1922, for the following reasons: That under the Constitution and By-Laws, the then General Manager, J. D. Clarkson, had no power or authority to call such meeting;

Second,- That no notice was given, as required by the By-Laws, to the members of the Jefferson Highway Association resident in the several counties in the State of Kansas, through which said Highway passes;

Third, - That the pretended election of a Vice-President and Directors at said meeting was illegal and without authority - and said pretended Vice-President and Directors have no standing at this Annual Meeting;

Fourth,- That said General Manager had no authority and no power at said meeting to realine or reroute the course of the Jefferson Highway as he claimed and attempted to do at said meeting;

Fifth, - That the permission of the Secretary of State of the State of Kansas had not been obtained for the realining or re-routing of the course of the Jefferson Highway through the State of Kansas;

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Sixth, - We protest for the following reasons that the failure to seat the undersigned as the directors from the State of Kansas is unlawful, improper and unauthorized; that the same were duly elected directors to the State of Kansas at a duly properly and legally called meeting of the Jefferson Highway Association, held in Paola, Miami County, Kansas, on the 26th day of April, 1922, and that as such they were the legally elected directors of the State Association.

We protest further that at the time, to-wit: the 23rd day of March, 1922, at which said illegal meeting was held in the City of Pittsburg, Kansas, that Harry Russell, Paul Russell, C. A. Vanness and H. P. Hatfield were then the duly elected and legally qualified directors of the Kansas Jefferson Highway Association and that said illegal election had no power and could not oust or deprive them of their rights and powers as such directors.

We protest further that said last mentioned directors had no notice of the meeting to be held at Pittsburg, Kansas, on the 23rd day of March, 1922, and were not in any wise advised of said meeting until notice thereof appeared in the public press.

We further protest that afterwards the several counties in the State of Kansas had a meeting called for Paola, Kansas, elected delegates to said meeting and said delegates attended said meeting on the 26th day of April, 1922, at which (as hereinbefore stated) the undersigned were elected as the directors of the Kansas Jefferson Highway Association.

We further protest and show to this Honorable body that on the 6th day of February, 1917, the proper proceeding was had and proper certificate was issued of the realining and routing of the Jefferson Highway through the State of Kansas, and that ever since said date said routing has been on record in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Kansas, and that the same cannot be changed or re-routed except as provided for by the statutes of the State of Kansas.

We further protest and show to this Honorable body that under date of July 14, 1922, that the Secretary of State of the State of Kansas, affirmed and approved the then location and routing of the Jefferson Highway through the State of Kansas and declined and refused to recognize any attempted realining or re-routing by the then General Manager of the International Jefferson Highway Association.

Wherefore, we ask that this Honorable body declare the meeting at Pittsburg, Kansas, held on March 23rd, 1922, to be illegal, null and void and to annul and set aside

everything that was attempted to be done at said meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Russell W Scott Hanson

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