

METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT BOARD

September 16, 1986

The regular monthly meeting of the Metropolitan Sewerage District Board was held in the Boardroom of MSD's Administration Building, 2 p.m., Tuesday, September 16, 1986.

Chairman Robinson and the following members were present: Aceto, Batts, Boggs, Dent, Ivey, Pope, Smith, and Williams; Dyson and Edwards were absent. Also present were Attorney John S. Stevens, Consulting Engineers Dean Huber, Bill Morris, and Dick Woodruff, and Leah R. Karpen of the League of Women Voters.

Chairman Robinson welcomed the newest member of the Board, Mr. Steven T. Aceto, appointed by the Town of Montreat.

Mr. Ivey moved that the minutes of August 19 be approved as written and that the minutes of August 26 be approved with "and" in line 8 of paragraph 6 changed to "in." Mr. Smith seconded the motion, and voice vote was unanimous in favor of approving both sets of minutes.

Mr. W. H. Mull, Engineer-Manager, reported on the following:

- a. Update on Treatment Plant Expansion: Mr. Mull said Powell has completed 88% of Section 1, Brevard Electric has completed 61% of Section 1A, and Moser has completed 25% of Section 1B and 44% of Section 1C; everything is on schedule and progressing smoothly. The contract for the RBCs has been sent to Envirex for signature, and final specifications for Phases 2 and 3 have been submitted to the State and EPA. This report was received as information by the Board.
- b. Update on Hydro Project: Mr. Woodruff told the Board that power was generated in a trial effort last week for about 1½ hours, then later for another 2½ hours, with 1100 kw being generated with one unit. (There is only enough water in the river now to operate one generator.) Some power is being generated each day as the units are tested, and the Board members were invited to visit the plant after the Board meeting. Mr. Woodruff said the 1100 kw nearly stopped the power meter at the plant. It was originally anticipated the Craggy Hydro would be a 2400 kw plant, but it now looks as it will be between 2700 and 2800 kw. There are some adjustments to be made on the computer, and some of the equipment that failed during the testing is being replaced; the overall project is a little behind schedule, according to Mr. Woodruff. This report was received as information by the Board.
- c. Bids received for 1986 Model operators' truck: After the three bids which were received were reviewed, Mr. Williams moved that the Board accept the low bid of \$5,694 from Jim Barkley Toyota for a 1986 Toyota compact ½-ton pickup truck to be used by the plant operators. The other two bids were from Deal Buick-Isuzu (\$6,345) and from Anderson Nissan (\$7,545.25). All of the bids were plus applicable tax. Mrs. Pope seconded the motion, and roll call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.
- d. CP&L's proposal to supply stand-by power to MSD at the hydro facility: Mr. Mull discussed the provisions of the contract and provided the Board with a cost analysis for a typical year using average river flows for power generation. After receiving this information, Mr. Boggs moved that Chairman Robinson be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the District, and Mr. Batts seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.
- e. Encroachment granting MSD right-of-way across CP&L's property in Limestone Township: Mr. Smith moved that the District enter into this agreement with CP&L as this right-of-way is needed for the South French Broad Relief Interceptor Sewer project. Mr. Dent seconded the motion, and roll call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

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- f. Update on Champion Finishing's flow increase request: Mr. Ivey told the Board that the Feasibility of Expansion Committee (see j of the August 19 minutes) met, decided they had nothing to review and, therefore, have nothing to report to the Board. Mr. Mull said this entails the City's enlarging a sewer line and that this has been turned over to them. The City will be working with Champion and a couple of developers, so the District is waiting to hear from the City.
- g. Joint MSD/County Commissioners' meeting regarding Codisposal--Mr. Boggs (tentative special Board meeting to discuss this, 9/23/86): Mr. Boggs reported briefly on the joint meeting held August 26 (see minutes dated August 26, 1986), finalizing his report by saying that it is his opinion that there is no reason to waste the County's time with another meeting at this time but to wait until they have compiled their information; therefore, no meeting will be scheduled at this time. It was the general concensus that the County is leaning toward composting garbage and sludge, while the District tends to favor incineration with power generation.
- h. User Charge Report: Mr. Smith, chairman of the Sewer Service Charge Committee, reported to the Board on their meeting yesterday and presented four domestic rate alternatives for the Board's consideration. After discussion, Mr. Ivey moved that the Board accept Alternative 2, thereby adopting a domestic rate of 75¢/CCF, \$2.25 minimum, effective with the next billing, adopting industrial rates, retroactive to July 1, as follows: Quantity, \$0.180/CCF; BOD, \$0.113/lb.; SS, \$0.052/lb. Mr. Williams seconded the motion, and roll call vote was unanimous with the exception of Mr. Boggs, who voted against. Motion carried 8 to 1.

Chairman Robinson presented a letter in which he stated his intention to officially retire from the Board, having served continuously since January 21, 1962, a member of the original Board and chairman since 1974. Vice-Chairman Williams then proposed a resolution, which Mr. Stevens read aloud, commending Chairman Robinson for his many years of serving the District. The resolution was passed by acclamation and is attached to and thereby made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Mull read letters honoring Chairman Robinson from the Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce, the Land-of-Sky Regional Council, Western Carolina Industries, Congressman Bill Hendon, and the North Carolina Department of Natural Resources and Community Development and a resolution from the County. These were given to Chairman Robinson.

Vice-Chairman Williams nominated Frank S. Smith, III, to succeed Mr. Robinson as chairman of the Board, and Mr. Dent seconded the nomination. Mr. Dent moved that nominations be closed, and Mr. Batts seconded. Mr. Smith was elected chairman by acclamation.

The next regular meeting of the MSD Board is scheduled for October 21, 1986.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. An informal reception honoring Mr. Robinson immediately followed.



Secretary