

## METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT BOARD

October 21, 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, October 21, 1986.

Chairman Smith and the following members were present: Aceto, Batts, Boggs, Dent, Dyson, Edwards, Ivey, Pope, and Williams. Also present were Marvin E. Waddey (appointed to fill Mr. Robinson's unexpired term but not sworn in by meeting date), Attorney John S. Stevens, Consulting Engineers Dean Huber and Bill Morris, Jim Stokoe and Sandy Maurer of the Land-of-Sky Regional Council, and Aiden Flynn and Leah R. Karpen of the League of Women Voters.

Mr. Boggs moved that the minutes of September 16 be approved as written, and Mr. Williams seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

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

- a. Update on Treatment Plant Expansion: Mr. Mull said Powell has completed 92.9% of Section 1 and is ahead of schedule; Brevard Electric has completed 76.85% of Section 1A, and Moser has completed 25% of Section 1B and 52% of Section 1C; received as information by the Board.
- b. Update on Hydro Project: Mr. Mull said Cianbro has completed all work on Section 1, Powell has completed 97% of Section 2, and Brevard Electric has completed 88% of Section 2A. All three generators have been run through checkout procedures and have produced power, but there are some minor problems with the electrical controls that must be solved by PACS before the units can be placed in service. Representatives from CP&L (Charles Dyson and Harry Nicholson) and French Broad Electric (Rick Thomason, Steve Criss, and Charlie Tolley) met with Mr. Mull in the MSD offices on October 2 to establish procedure for notifying downriver power plants and rafting companies when the District will be filling the flume, which may cause water level to fluctuate. Just before the flume starts filling, the District will call a 24-hour CP&L number, who will, in turn, notify the power plants and rafting companies. This report was received as information by the Board. Mr. Ivey said he and some of the other members of the Board toured the power plant September 16 and encouraged others who have not done so to visit the site.
- c. Ratification of poll by telephone regarding minimum flow study relative to Craggy Dam licensing conditions: As required by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) exemption from licensing issued for the Craggy Dam Hydroelectric Project, Mr. Mull requested that the Board ratify action authorized by telephone for Dilip Mathur of the Muddy Run Ecological Laboratory to do a minimum flow study relative to the licensing conditions. Hutchison-Biggs Associates will assist in surveying the river cross-section elevations. Mr. Mull told the Board that six cross sections have been established, which must be approved by the State, and that Dilip will be here the week of November 10 to determine the effects of high flow and four different flows between the dam and the hydro plant. Mr. Boggs moved the Board's ratification of the telephone poll for the study at a cost not to exceed \$36,000., and Mr. Edwards seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.
- d. Consideration of request from Black Mountain to increase their fee for billing sewer service charges: Mr. Mull presented to the Board a letter and a resolution received from the Town of Black Mountain in which they asked the MSD to increase the reimbursement rate for collected sewer bills from 15¢ to 25¢ each. After a brief discussion, Chairman Smith requested that Mr. Williams follow up on this request and inform Mr. Mull of his findings for further consideration.

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- e. AWWA-WPCF State Conference to be held in Winston-Salem, November 9-12: Mr. Mull told the Board that he and Mr. Dent have registered for this conference and asked that any other interested Board member notify the MSD office if they wish to attend.
- f. Request for return of sewer service charges for Woodfin Sanitary Water and Sewer District customer: Mr. Mull presented to the Board a letter from Charles W. Anderson, Superintendent of the Woodfin Sanitary Water & Sewer District, regarding sewer service for Mrs. F. B. Garren. Mrs. Garren lives at 1125 Riverside Drive and has been under the assumption that she had been on sewer since 1967. When she started having sewer trouble, she called plumbers and then the District. MSD employees established that the line belonged to Woodfin. After Woodfin did repairs, it was discovered that the sewer line was leaking and was running into a ditch and on down into the French Broad River. When Woodfin dug up the line in an effort to solve the problem, they found that the line ended just after it passed under the railroad tracks and had never been connected to the main collector line installed by the MSD, falling short about sixty feet. After Mrs. Garren learned she had never been connected to a line that would have carried her sewage to the treatment plant, she requested a refund of \$425.97 which Woodfin had collected since 1967 and had turned over to the MSD. Mrs. Pope moved that she and Mr. Mull meet with Mr. Anderson in an effort to arrive at a solution to Mrs. Garren's dilemma, and Mr. Ivey seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.
- g. Special Order by Consent: This order amends the previous one in which the District will be allowed to make allocations for treating wastewater flow up to 29.3 MGD and is necessary if any new hookups are to be allowed. Expiration date of the Order is December 31, 1989. Mr. Dyson moved that the Chairman be authorized to sign this new Special Order by Consent, and Mr. Dent seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Mr. Aceto thanked the Board for the privilege of attending the WPCF National Conference in Los Angeles, which he said he found to be most informative.

The next regular meeting of the MSD Board is scheduled for November 18, 1986.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

  
Secretary