

**PRELIMINARY BUDGET ADOPTED AND PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZED.
SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 9th - MINUTES PASSED.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Metropolitan Sewerage District Board was held in the Board room 501, City Building, Asheville, North Carolina at 2:00 p. m. on Tuesday, May 9, 1972.

Chairman Peterson called the meeting to order and Mr. Dawson, in the absence of Mrs. Swicegood, Secretary, called the roll with the following members present: Mr. Clark, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Longshore, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Warlick, Mr. Williams, Mr. Goodson and Mr. Currie, in the absence of Mr. Redmond.

The members having received copies of the previous Minutes, Mr. Warlick moved and Mr. Dawson, seconded the motion that they be approved as recorded. This motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Johnson, Engineer-Manager, reported that the Operation and Maintenance expenditures were in line with the budget and stated that he will report again next month.

Mr. Johnson called attention to the previous report sent to the Board relating to fringe benefits, wage comparison, and labor problems. After a short discussion it was decided to defer action on all of these matters until a later date.

Mr. Johnson, commented on the Preliminary Budget for the fiscal year 1972-73, copies of which each Board member had received. He stated the Budget Committee had met and he had no objection to their recommendation and turned its presentation over to Mr. Dawson, Chairman of the Budget Committee. Mr. Dawson commented that it shows a 10 per cent increase over last year's request and stated that his Committee believed that this is a reasonable budget. He moved that the Preliminary Budget lay on the table and the Board hold a Public Hearing on the Preliminary Budget submitted and that Mr. Redmond advertise the Notice of Public Hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Bond Resolution. Mr. Warlick seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous.

Mr. Johnson stated that we have carried over from old business the Minutes from the Special Meeting of March 9th and made a Preliminary Draft of them. Mr. Williams moved that these Minutes be inserted in the Minute Book as written and Mr. Dawson seconded the motion. This motion was carried unanimously.

There being no other business, Chairman Peterson adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p. m. with the suggestion that the Board go into executive session for questions and comments on the above items.

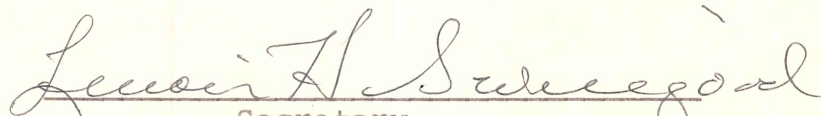
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Peterson called the Board in for an executive session and Mr. Walter Currie read a statement prepared by Mr. Redmond.

WHEREUPON, Mr. Warlick moved and Mr. Williams seconded the motion that Mr. Redmond be authorized to engage special Legal Council (J. Frank Ogletree, Jr., Esq., Thompson, Ogletree and Deakins, The Daniel Building, Greenville, South Carolina 29602) to represent the Board in his dealings with the National Labor Relations Board. The roll call vote was unanimous.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

May 9, 1972


Secretary