

MINUTES OF THE METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT BOARD

OCTOBER 18, 1977

The regular monthly meeting of the Metropolitan Sewerage District Board was held in the old office of the Junior Chamber of Commerce on the first floor, City Hall Building, Asheville North Carolina, at 2 p.m., Tuesday, September 18, 1977.

Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order, and Mrs. Crowe called the roll. In addition to Chairman Robinson, the following members were present: Messrs. Clark, Dawson, Griffith, McDevitt, Smith, Warlick, and Williams.

In addition to the Board members, the following consultants and staff members were present:

Mr. Anthony Redmond
Mr. Dean Huber
Mr. W. H. Mull
Mrs. Jan Crowe
Mrs. Linda Duncan

The members having received copies of the Minutes of the September 20 meeting, Mr. Dawson moved that the Minutes stand approved as written. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, and voice vote was unanimous.

A copy of the annual audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977, was handed to each Board member and to Mr. Redmond. Chairman Robinson asked that each member take the audit, scrutinize it, and have ready any questions they might have in regard to the audit at the Board's next meeting. He then requested Mr. Mull to contact A. M. Pullen & Company, the auditors, and make arrangements for a representative of their company to meet with the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting. Audit reports were received as information by the Board.

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

- (a) Amendments to Consulting Engineers' contracts for South Buncombe, Hominy Valley, and Weaverville projects as directed by EPA: After discussion of the proposed amendments, Mr. Clark moved the motion that the Board accept these amendments and authorize Chairman Robinson to execute these documents on behalf of the Board. Mr. Griffith seconded the motion, and roll call vote was unanimous.
- (b) Receipt of informal bids for aluminum siding for the MSD-owned superintendent's dwelling: Bids received and their monetary amounts were Aluminum Sales Company, \$2,990; Winter Seal Company, \$3,143; and Jowers-Stanford Company, \$3,650. Mr. Warlick moved the motion that the Board accept the low bid of \$2,990 from Aluminum Sales Company and leave the color selection to Mr. Mull's discretion. Mr. Dawson seconded the motion, and roll call vote was unanimous.
- (c) Progress report on Administration Building: Mr. Aiton of Traber Associates delivered a letter to the Board from the architects regarding construction delays in connection with the new office building. Price-Ray, the contractor,

offered the following reasons for the delay: (1) Recessed lights for the corridor were lost during shipment, which in turn delayed sheetrock work (recessed lights have since arrived); (2) roof insulation has not arrived; (3) interior doors and toilet partitions have not arrived. Projected completion date by the contractor is November 15, 1977; projected completion date by the architects is the first week in December, 1977.

- (d) Standby equipment status: Mr. Mull reported to the Board that repair parts are available or on order for most equipment that could break down during this fiscal year. Status report received as information by the Board.
- (e) WPCF-AWWA Joint Annual Conference in Raleigh, November 13-16: Mr. Mull requested that he and Mr. R. C. Ensley (chemist for MSD) be authorized to attend this convention, in addition to any interested Board member and/or Mr. Redmond. Mr. McDevitt moved the motion that Mr. Mull, Mr. Ensley, and any interested Board member be authorized to attend the convention. Mr. Williams seconded the motion, and roll call vote was unanimous.
- (f) Industrial discharge permit applications: Mr. Mull reported to the Board that MSD is requiring twenty-one local industries to make application for permits to discharge industrial wastewaters into the sanitary sewer system due to the deteriorated quality of wastewaters received from these industries. Violations encountered so far from these industries include serious fluctuations of pH, significant concentrations of heavy metals (zinc, copper, and chromium), and oil and grease problems. Also, high concentrations of sulfides add to the odor problem at the plant. To date, fourteen of the twenty-one industries have submitted applications to MSD, with two others having been granted an extension of time in which to do so.

Further, Mr. Mull informed the Board that MSD is in violation of its NPDES permit, has written to the State outlining problems causing the violations, and that MSD is trying to upgrade this status. Mr. Mull stated he will keep the Board informed as to the status of these violations.

- (g) Sewer Use Ordinance amendments: Mr. Mull informed the Board that Mr. Huber has drafted an initial revision to MSD's Sewer Use Ordinance, has sent a copy to Mr. Don Newton (Greeley & Hansen) for his comments, and will try to have the revisions ready for the Board's consideration and adoption at its next regularly scheduled meeting. Mr. Redmond will also be reviewing the proposed amendments prior to the next MSD Board meeting.

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Mr. Smith moved the motion that Mr. Redmond be authorized to advise and aid the proposed districts of South Buncombe and Hominy Valley in their organization, if they seek and ask for advice or aid, with approval and knowledge of the Board. Further, any fee structure that might develop in the interest of the MSD would be paid for by MSD; however, if the fee is incurred for the benefit of the proposed districts or others, they would be liable for the cost. Mr. McDevitt seconded the motion, and voice vote was unanimous.

Date of the next meeting of the MSD Board was set for November 8, 1977.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.


Secretary