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MSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 1974

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Robert Schumacher  
James Robnett  
Mel Gordon  
Connie McCready  
Miller Duris  
Charles Becker  
Burton Wilson

APPROVED METROPOLITAN  
SERVICE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ACTION NO. 74-270

DATE 12-13-74

BY *Jean M. Wood*  
CLERK OF THE BOARD

ADVISORS IN ATTENDANCE

Herb Hardy, Attorney  
A. McKay Rich, CRAG

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Charles Kemper  
John Hankee  
Connie Eliason

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs. Burton Wilson  
Daniel Uman, Multnomah County  
Douglas Lee, Multnomah County  
Charles Williamson, Kell, Alterman,  
Nancy Hoover, Metro Chairman League of Women Voters

There being a quorum present, the Board members considered the following items of business:

I. REVIEW DIRECTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Kemper addressed the Board stating that the intent of the special meeting was to review the Direction Committee recommendations regarding MSD policy statement, new public services, MSD Board structure and financial alternatives. Parks and recreation and the zoo were two services the Direction Committee felt should be considered major priorities, with communications (911), water supply storage and distribution, art programs, jails, libraries, and regional sewage collection system as secondary priorities. The proposed new services were discussed in view of their regional responsibility and in view of possible funding. There was some feeling that MSD should approach the Legislature for authority on all eight of the new services rather than just for the zoo and parks and recreation, however, there was also some feeling that the timing was inappropriate for considering the sewage collection and art programs items.

Commissioner Gordon moved to direct staff and legal counsel to prepare the following services for Legislative action: Zoo, Parks and Recreation, Communications (911), Water Supply Storage and distribution, Jails, and Libraries. Commissioner McCready seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kemper reviewed the Direction Committee recommendation to modify the Board structure to allow a mixed Board membership comprised of seven locally elected officials appointed by the jurisdictions and not less than four nor more than eight directly elected members from apportioned areas, with each casting a single vote. It was the feeling of the Direction Committee that as new services were added to MSD responsibility, the time demand on the Board members would necessitate this type of modification of the Board structure.

Commissioner Gordon moved to delay a decision on modifying the present Board structure. Commissioner McCready seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Direction Committee recommendation for financing solid waste disposal by user charge, storm drainage management with a special assessment and service charges, and funding for the zoo and parks and recreation to be included on the authorizing ballot to be taken to a vote of the people. The Board was in agreement with the

the recommendations, but felt that funding for the additional services would follow once they were approved by the Legislature. No action was taken.

## II. DRAINAGE PROGRAM

Mr. Hankee, MSD staff, reviewed staff's report "An Approach to Drainage Management". The report recommends that drainage management be handled on a basin-wide system with one governing Board with authority throughout the basins. The governing body would be given the authority necessary to regulate surface water runoff and also the capability for issuing Revenue Bonds for initial funding. Service fees would be charged in the appropriate basins for revenue and would serve as a means to repaying the Revenue Bonds. Mr. Hankee was also recommending that statutes be developed that would clearly define the Board's authority in regulating the Drainage Program.

It was suggested that the District should first prioritize the individual flood basins and solve the problems with the greatest need before considering an areawide drainage program. Commissioner Schumacher stated that the first item of business should be to obtain the proper and necessary Legislative authority for solving the drainage problems in the area. There was a consensus to accept the report and allow the Board time for review and analysis before making a decision.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.