MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Held: June 1, 1977 - 7:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cease, Chairperson; Halvorson, Vice-Chairperson; Mays, Stuhr

INVITED MEMBERS: Simpson, Snedecor

STAFF: Rich, Garbutt, Cross

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 18, was moved and seconded by Stuhr and Mays, and passed.

REPORT ON LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS

Rich reported on the progress of the local fund raising efforts from the business community. We still need at least $3,000 to keep the Commission active through this legislative session. Charles Warren of NAPA says there will not be money left from the Denver project as he had anticipated. We are expecting to receive the $250.00 promised from ORBANCO.

REPORT ON HB 2070

Cease commented on the Senate hearing last Wednesday in Salem. Ragsdale's eloquent presentation supporting the bill followed Atiyeh's lengthly rebuttal. Atiyeh has declared he will do everything possible to oppose HB 2070, and will try to ensure a separate vote by each of the three counties.

Halvorson suggested meeting with Boe to explain our position and discuss Atiyeh's concerns. It was agreed this would be scheduled during the next week.

Cross said the City of Portland wants language in the bill to require agreement from a local entity before any additional functions or facilities are assumed.

MSD has only minor amendments regarding their flood control program in Johnson Creek.

A Senate hearing is scheduled for today in Salem; this will be followed by a work session next week.

The referral is likely to remain in the bill, but we will continue to point out that it might not be necessary now that the boundaries have been considerably reduced. Our efforts might balance any campaign to require a vote by each of the three counties. This item should also be discussed with Boe and Whipple.

There was a discussion of campaign strategy, fund raising and mailing distribution if HB 2070 is on the ballot this fall.

Meeting adjourned - 8:40 a.m.

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