MINUTES OF THE METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT BOARD

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, February 21, 1967.

Chairman Peterson called the meeting to order and Mrs. Swicegood, Secretary, called the roll with the following members present: Mr. Peterson, Mr. Garrison, Mrs. Swicegood, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Baker, Mr. Reagan, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Tandy, and Mr. Williams.

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

Mr. Paul Isreal appeared before the Board to state his reasons for not reaching an agreement on a right of way across his property. He stated the sewer line was scheduled to cross the most valuable part of his farm land and that damage would result even though the pipe would be seven feet deep. He had refused an offer of \$3,000 and stated he considered a fair price for his property was \$4,500 plus a change in the pipeline which would cost the District considerably more in the amount of pipe required. Chairman Peterson recommended that his request be taken under advisement.

Mr. J. Paul Long, a real estate dealer, appeared before the Board with the request to either annex or give him some assurance of sanitary sewer service for a housing subdivision which he is developing outside the city. Mr. Johnson suggested that the proper approach for him to take would be to have the County Commissioners create a sanitary district involving his subdivision then the MSD could contract with the county to serve the new area. Mr. Long promised to get in touch with the Board at a later date on the project.

Mr. Johnson, Engineer-Manager, in his communications and progress report stated that we have 28 property owners with whom we have no right of way understanding and that we have a serious problem with the Southern Railway System at Pearson Bridge.

In his financial report he stated the Federal Inspector was here last week and that we are due to receive a second payment of approximately \$650,000 in Federal Grant money within a few weeks, having already received \$340,000. He stated our project is progressing very well.

Mr. Henry L. Baker, Mr. Thomas S. Garrison, Sr., and Mr. Oscar G. Tandy, reappointments to the MSD Board for three-year terms, were sworn in by Mr. Robert C. Ratcliff, Clerk of Court.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:55 p. m.

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Levoir A. Stellegood Secretary