

MINUTES OF DIRECTORS MEETING
LANE COUNTY MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT

August 11, 1971

The Board of Directors of Lane County Mass Transit District held their regular monthly meeting at the City Hall in Eugene, Oregon, on August 11, 1971.

Present were:

Craig Robinson, President, presiding
Al Brandt, Vice President
Russ Fryburg, Treasurer
Lewis Hoffman, Secretary
Fred Brunner
Leonard Wildish
Fred Dyer, General Manager

Absent:

R. W. McDuffie

MINUTES:

Lewis Hoffman was designated to act as Recording Secretary in the absence of Richard Bryson, counsel.

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with as copies had been mailed to all members. On motion duly seconded the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board meeting as submitted to the members.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Mr. Dyer reported that there would be no report from the Advisory Committee. He stated however, the Committee had met in August and had appointed a Sub-Committee to study the various bus stops, shelter proposals and the signs that were being worked on.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS:

Mr. Allen of the design firm, gave a report on the meeting with the Advisory Committee, and Sub-Committee and the work being done with reference to signs, shelters, etc. He submitted to the group, sketches of various different designs for the shelters. A discussion was had as to the cost and whether or not further work should be done with reference to getting these cheaper from some mass producer rather than having them custom built. Mr. Allen was

directed to make further inquiry into the possibility of getting these from some company or factory that would build them on a mass production basis.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. Dyer gave a report on the status of the application for Federal funds. He pointed out that the Lane County Mass Transit District had done all that it could do at the present time and was merely waiting for Federal approval. He said he thought that we were in good shape to get our request from the financing available.

In response to a question, he reported he thought the new busses could be available approximately 90 days after the approval from the Government to proceed.

He was asked whether or not we had decided what busses we wanted to buy and he answered no. The Board discussed this and instructed the manager to bring to the next meeting brochures of all busses available so the Board could study the details and make a decision if possible.

LIABILITY INSURANCE:

Mr. Dyer reported that the insurance company had a binder so that the District was presently covered but that the premium and conditions had not been settled yet.

He stated that the District had already instituted a safety program among its drivers in an effort to reduce the premium for such insurance.

AUDITOR:

Mr. Dyer reported that invitations to various auditing firms had been sent out and some inquiries and responses had been received. Mr. Charles Larson had come down to the office and gone over the books. However, only one firm had made a response in terms of fixing a price for the work. A discussion was had and on motion duly seconded, the Board voted to request the accounting firms to submit what their hourly charges would be and which person in their firm would be in charge for further consideration by the Board.

SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT RIDES:

Mr. Dyer reported that this had been a great idea and had good response. The Board voted unanimously to extend this program for another year.

MINIMUM TAX:

Mr. Dyer reported that inquiry had been made as to whether or not a minimum tax could be set by the Board to avoid the problems of bookkeeping and expense when the amount to be paid was disproportionately small. A discussion was had and it was the consensus of opinion that a legal opinion from counsel should be secured as to whether or not this could be done. The matter was tabled for further discussion.

DELINQUENCIES:

A list of delinquents had been furnished the Board members and a discussion was had and Mr. Hoffman suggested that the State Tax people be directed to proceed to collect these delinquencies and suggested that a strong case be selected by the State for prosecution.

JULY BILLS:

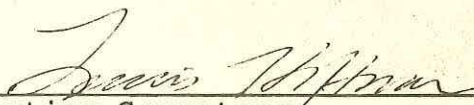
The July bills were approved as submitted.

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Brandt inquired as to what the total collection costs to the Transit District from the State Tax people were and what the total tax collected was, and asked that the ratio be made available for further discussion at the next meeting together with the appropriate figure.

Mr. Dyer reported he had been asked that he appear before the City Council with reference to having the city cooperate in securing the funds for a Mass Transit planning study but that nothing had been done as yet.

There being no further business, on motion duly seconded the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.



Acting Secretary