

MINUTES OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

LANE COUNTY MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT

July 6, 1973

A meeting of the budget committee of Lane County Mass Transit District was held at the Eugene Hotel in Eugene, Oregon, on July 6, 1973, at 7:30 A.M., pursuant to notice duly published.

Present were the following:

Board members

Craig Robinson, President
Phyllis Loobey, Secretary
Dan Herbert, Treasurer
Fred Brunner
Gary Buell
Glenn Randall

Appointed members

Jerry Baldwin
Harvey Henderson
Bob McCurdy
Russ Poff
Darrell Smith
Dennis Spitze

Absent was:

Leonard Wildish, Vice president

Absent was:

Dick Rice

Craig Robinson was unanimously elected chairman and Phyllis Loobey was unanimously elected secretary.

Fred Dyer, Budget Officer, distributed copies of the budget and the budget message to all members of the committee and to those members of the public present who requested copies.

The chairman announced that he was dispensing with the reading of the budget message as written copies thereof had been distributed to those present who requested them and copies were available for everyone.

Mr. Dyer presented for approval his budget of \$2,511,805.00 and made some introductory comments in which he reviewed the history and growth of the district's operations and its expansion of service. Mr. Dyer informed the committee that the budget as submitted contemplated the addition of evening bus service until 9:00 P.M. beginning in September, 1973 and the addition of Sunday service on a cut-back basis beginning in April, 1974.

The budget document, copy of which was filed with the secretary, and incorporated as part of these minutes, showed expenditures for personal services of \$1,193,837, for operating materials and supplies, \$715,694, for contractual services \$66,100,

for capital outlay for equipment, \$439,502, and capital outlay for buildings and additions \$96,672, making a total budget of \$2,511,805. The budgeted resources included a beginning fund balance of \$67,000, anticipated fare box revenues of \$430,000, advertising \$2,500, charter receipts of \$15,000, federal grants of \$357,445, miscellaneous receipts of \$15,000, fuel tax refund \$23,347, payroll tax of \$1,581,513, and an insurance rebate of \$20,000, making total resources of \$2,511,805.

The items in the budget were considered and discussed and persons were heard. In response to requests by the chairman for questions or comments from members of the public in the audience Annabel Kitzhaber, president of the League of Women Voters, expressed that organization's approval of the progress of the district to date and its support of the district's expansion of the system and the feeling of the League of Women Voters from an ecology standpoint that it is essential to get a reduction in the number of cars using the public streets.

Mr. Buell questioned the justification for some of the staff increases and salary increases for the administrative staff and Mr. Herbert spoke in support of the budget in the matter of the staff increases.

Mr. Herbert told the committee that he felt that the district should expand its level of services in the 1973-74 fiscal year so that evening bus service and Sunday service on a cut-back basis could be started after the first month and that the 1975 level of service could be implemented after the first eight months and for that purpose Mr. Herbert moved that the budget be increased to \$2,729,651. The motion was seconded by Phyllis Loobey. After discussion, the matter was brought to a voice vote and a majority having voted against the motion, the chairman announced that the motion was defeated.

Mrs. Loobey then moved that the evening bus service should be extended until 10:00 P.M. instead of ending at 9:00 P.M. as contemplated by the budget submitted by the budget officer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randall and was approved by unanimous vote of the committee.

Mrs. Loobey then moved that the budget as submitted by the budget officer be increased in the net amount of \$46,000 (made up of additional cost of \$67,887 less additional fare box receipts of \$21,887) in order to make possible the extension of the evening service until 10:00 P.M. instead of until 9:00 P.M. as contemplated by the budget document as submitted by the budget officer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randall and adopted by unanimous vote of the committee.

On motion duly seconded, the committee then voted unanimously

to approve the budget document as submitted with the addition of a net increase of \$46,000 to permit extension of evening service until 10:00 P.M., making total general fund requirements of \$2,579,692 and increasing the general fund resources by the addition of \$21,887 to the fare box revenues, making total fare box revenues of \$451,887, and the addition of \$46,000 to the payroll tax, making total payroll tax of \$1,627,513 and total resources of \$2,579,692.

Mr. Robinson announced that the meeting of the board of directors scheduled for July 10, 1973, if not attended by a quorum, would be adjourned until July 26, 1973, at 7:30 P.M. at the City Hall in Eugene, Oregon. Mr. Robinson also announced that the budget hearing of the board of directors of the district would be held on July 26, 1973, at 7:30 P.M. at the City Hall in Eugene, Oregon.

On motion duly seconded, the committee voted unanimously to adjourn.

Secretary