MINUTES OF DIRECTORS MEETING

LANE COUNTY MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING

September 15, 1981

Pursuant to notice given to the Eugene Register-Guard for publication on September 10, 1981, and distributed to persons on the mailing list of the District, the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Lane County Mass Transit District was held at Municipal Courtroom #1, Eugene, Oregon, on September 15, 1981, at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Richard Booth, Secretary Daniel M. Herbert, Vice President Ted J. Langton, Treasurer Glenn E. Randall Carolyn Roemer Phyllis Loobey, General Manager Cindy Ficek, Recording Secretary

News Media Representatives:

Ann Bradley, KEZI-TV

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY BOARD PRESIDENT: Mr. Herbert, Vice President, presided in Mr. Kohnen's absence. As there were no introductory remarks by Mr. Herbert the meeting moved on to audience participation.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Etta Russell, of 407 W. Quinalt St., Springfield, presented a petition with 374 signatures on behalf of the residents of McKenzie Village. The petition was in objection to the new route scheduled for implementation on September 27, which would not service McKenzie Village as it does currently. Alice McElroy, of 460 W. Quinalt, Springfield and Frances M. Heath, of 480 W. Quinalt also spoke on behalf of McKenzie Village, which is predominately seniors and handicapped. Mr. Herbert asked staff to look into this matter. Mr. Herbert thanked the ladies and stated that LTD would do its best with their problems.

Jeri Groves, 2161 Shady Lane Drive, Eugene, presented a petition on behalf of the residents of Shady Lane. Ms. Groves stated that the #15 LCC is scheduled to use Shady Lane after September 27, and their petition was in objection to this as they feel the safety factors weren't looked into (Shady Lane is a narrow street). Mr. Herbert thanked Ms. Groves and stated that the matter would be looked into.

Ron Schmaedick of Rams Realty presented a sheet to each Board member outlining action he and other realtors suggested concerning the refund they had coming. Basically it stated 1) Use simple administrative procedures to minimize legal costs for all parties; 2) Acknowledge that persons affiliated with a firm as an independent contractor on federal Internal Revenue Reports be recognized as an independent contractor for LTD purposes; and 3) Arrange for quarterly payment of the refunds over a one year period with final payment not later

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than September 30, 1982. Mr. Langton stated that he couldn't make a decision on the matter tonight with only Mr. Schmaedick's facts to go on. It was mentioned that the real estate independent contractor dispute was on the agenda under Items for Information also. Mr. Herbert asked for further comment. Dan Leahy of Countryman Realty stated that they were in the process of a suit in order to speed up their refund. Mr. Booth wondered how the realtors could expect the Board to make a decision without legal counsel when the realtors had received legal counsel. Mr. Booth made a motion that Mr. Bryson, counsel for LTD, put together a report and recommendation on the real estate dispute for the next Board meeting. Mr. Langton seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Mr. Herbert asked if there was any more audience participation. Mr. Chris Casady of the International Year of the Disabled Planning Committee presented a plaque to the Board for their outstanding work in making Eugene/Springfield accessible to the citizens. Mr. Dave Kleger of Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation stated that due to accessible routes he had cut transportation costs in the last three months, for his disabled clients, by \$15,000 a month.

A suggestion was voiced from the audience on asking the people in each area about where they would like the routes to go. Mr. Booth responded by saying that extensive public hearings, coverage in the newspapers and research by the staff had taken place and that every conceivable suggestion had been incorporated into the new system. Mr. Booth also stated that a follow-up in six months would occur to review all the complaints and testimony so that refinements could be made.

A question was asked from the audience if it was true we were going to be publishing schedules in braille. Ellen Bevington, Planning Administrator, responded that LTD had been contacted by a braille transcribing firm and that it was being looked into.

MOTION APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Langton moved that the minutes of the August 18, 1981 regular Board meeting be approved as mailed. Ms. Roemer seconded, and the VOTE motion was approved unanimously.

COMPUTER SYSTEM RECOMMENDATION: Ms. Loobey stated that Mr. Williams with Weber and Weber was present to respond to part of the concerns about the computer system. Ms. Loobey further stated that memos had been included in the Board packet that answer some of the other concerns that were voiced at the August Board meeting.

Mr. Williams reviewed the decision making process thoroughly with a visual presentation. He stated that our Return on Investment would be \$174,608 at a 5 year return. Mr. Booth asked if our savings was in staff or productivity. Mr. Williams responded that our savings would be in productivity, not personnel reduction. Ms. Loobey stated that she didn't foresee the potential of staff reduction the 1st year the system is in operation, but it was a possibility that existed in the 2nd, MOT ION 3rd and 4th years. Mr. Langton moved to accept the staff recommendation to execute a contract with DAMAS, INC, in the amount of \$128,314 for purchase of computer hardware, software and training assistance, and adopt the resolution authorizing the staff to request budget changes for UMTA projects to allow purchase of computer hardware and software. A copy of the resolution is attached. Ms. Roemer seconded the motion, question was called. The motion passed 4 to 1, with Mr. Booth voting against the motion and all others in favor.

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- MOTION <u>BUS STOP INSTALLATION CONTRACT</u>: Mr. Randall moved to accept the staff recommendation on the bus stop installation contract, with an award of contract to J & C Enterprises in the amount of \$33,130. Mr. Booth seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- MOTIONLABOR NEGOTIATIONS CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:Mr. Booth movedto go into Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (1)(d),Mr. LangtonVOTEseconded the motion.The vote was unanimous.Mr. Herbert asked thosenot involved with the Executive Session to please exit the meeting room.

After discussion and a progress report on labor negotiations the Board moved to return to Regular Session with a unanimous vote.

MOTION Mr. Randall moved we bypass the Items for Information and adjourn, VOTE Mr. Booth seconded the motion, the vote was unanimous. The meeting was duly adjourned.

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Secretary

RESOLUTION

Be It Hereby Resolved that the budgets for UMTA Projects No. OR-03-0021-02 and No. OR-05-0005 be amended to allow Lane Transit District to expand the scope of the original projects to include the computerization of selected District functions.

Be It FURTHER RESOLVED that \$128,314 be transferred from contingency funds to a newly created line item for computerization.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager is authorized to petition the Urban Mass Transit Administration to approve the grant amendment.

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