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Upon notice duly given, the members of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority met at a regular meeting at the Authority Board Room, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles 15, California, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on February 17, 1959, at which time the Chairman called the meeting to order.

Chairman Carl P. Miller, Members Don Belding, Fred S. Dean, Hayden F. Jones, Russell A. Quisenberry, Arthur J. Will and Clarence A. Winder attended. Also present were Executive Director Ralph P. Merritt; General Manager Cone T. Bass; Public Relations Director James H. Raport; Treasurer Wm. W. Wakelee; Ernest R. Gerlach of Coverdale & Colpitts, Consulting Engineers; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; Administrative Assistant James H. Lyons; Roderick M. Hills of Musick, Peeler & Garrett; Stephen O'Donnell and John Wagner of the Public Relations Department; representatives of the press; and the public.

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 3, 1959 were approved.

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Report of Public Relations Director

Mr. Raport presented the report of the Public Relations Department. A copy of said report is on file in the office of the Secretary.

Temporary Reroutings

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the temporary reroutings made necessary by construction work discussed at this meeting be and the same are hereby ratified and approved.

Contract with Medical Director

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the agreement with the Medical Director be renewed on a month-to-month basis on the same terms and conditions as the present agreement, such renewal agreement to be subject to the approval of the General Attorney.

Concession Stand Lease Agreement - George A. LaRocca

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Authority a lease with George A. LaRocca for a lunch stand at 10th Avenue and Jefferson Boulevard loop of Rail "J" Line for ground space only, with Lessee to provide building, and rental to be 5% of gross receipts with minimum of \$35 per month, said lease to be subject to approval by the General Attorney.

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Lease Agreement - Milburn Construction Company

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Authority as Lessor a Lease Agreement with Milburn Construction Company for space in the Authority's inactive Seventh Street Substation building in Long Beach on a month-to-month basis at \$25 per month, Lessee to indemnify Authority against loss or damage, and said lease to be subject to approval by the General Attorney.

Extension of Line 24

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, this Authority on December 2, 1958 authorized the temporary extension of Line 24; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager now recommends that this extension be continued on a permanent basis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the extension of Line 24 in the manner described at this meeting and as set forth in detail in a report filed with the Secretary of the Authority be and it is hereby authorized for an indefinite period.

Rental Agreement - Leon McDowell

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to execute a Rental Agreement on behalf of the Authority with Leon McDowell for the

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rental of space for shoe shine stand, at 85th and Central terminal loop of Line "S," at \$25 per month, said stand to be subject to approval by Authority representatives, and said Rental Agreement to be subject to the approval of the General Attorney.

Changes of Bus Stops

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the report of the General Manager relating to bus stop changes as discussed at this meeting be and the same is hereby ratified and approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said report be filed with the Secretary of the Authority.

Report of Purchasing Committee

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Report of Purchasing Committee of Authorizations for period from February 4, 1959 through February 16, 1959 be and the same is hereby ratified and approved and the appropriate payments are hereby authorized.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said report be filed with the Secretary of the Authority.

Easement - City of Huntington Park

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

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RESOLVED, that the Executive Director and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Authority a Grant of Easement to the City of Huntington Park for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a 12-inch cast iron water main at Pacific Avenue and 55th Street, such Grant of Easement to be subject to the approval of the General Attorney.

Disclaimer - Connolly, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al.

Having been informed by appropriate officers of the Authority that the Authority had no interest in certain land which is the subject of a quiet title action, even though the Authority has been joined as a party, and after discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, there is presently a condemnation action filed in the Los Angeles Superior Court numbered 714514 and titled "Joseph P. Connolly, Patrick C. Waldberg, and John R. Waldberg vs. City of Los Angeles, et al."; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has no interest in the land which is the subject of said lawsuit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Attorney be and he is hereby authorized to enter a Disclaimer of Interest in the above-mentioned lawsuit.

Settlement with MCL re Vacation Allowance Claims

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

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WHEREAS, Metropolitan Coach Lines laid off eight employees in January of 1958; and

WHEREAS, these employees had accrued a vacation allowance in the total amount of \$752.96 at the date of their layoff; and

WHEREAS, the practice of Metropolitan Coach Lines was to pay such vacation allowance twelve months after such layoff; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1959, a dispute arose between Metropolitan Coach Lines and the Authority as to the respective obligation to pay such vacation allowance; and

WHEREAS, the Authority made such payments to the eight former employees of Metropolitan Coach Lines, reserving the right to recover all or part of such payment from Metropolitan Coach Lines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to settle the above referred to dispute with Metropolitan Coach Lines by accepting a cashier's check from Metropolitan Coach Lines in the total amount of \$350.00 as final settlement of said claim.

Nominating Committee - Appointment of

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 2.2-B of the Rules and Regulations, a Nominating Committee consisting of Clarence A. Winder as Chairman, Russell A. Quisenberry, and Fred S. Dean be and the same is hereby appointed to report to the Authority at its meeting on March 3, 1959 on its recommendation for the election of the following officers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretary.

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Administrative Assistant to Executive Director

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that an additional position of Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director be and the same is hereby created at an annual salary of \$15,000.

Next Meeting

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the next regular meeting of the Authority be held at the Authority's Board Room at the Transit Authority Building, 1060 South Broadway, at 10:00 a.m. on March 3, 1959.

There being no further business before the meeting, it adjourned.

VIRGINIA L. REES

Secretary

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