

SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

March 29, 1965

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., March 29, 1965, by Chairman Sanborn. All members of the Committee were present except Senator Arthur.

Charles McAtee, DIRECTOR OF PENAL INSTITUTIONS; Mr. Pratt, Topeka City Engineer; Bernard Williams, Topeka City Sanitary Engineer; and Frank Applegate of the State Architect's Office; appeared before the Committee with reference to the request of the KANSAS RECEPTION AND DIAGNOSTIC CENTER for an additional \$32,200 to hook on to the city sewer main. In discussions with the subcommittee on this matter, Mr. McAtee stated that the question was raised as to the cost of hooking onto another sewer district to the west of the property. If the Center would hook onto the Deer Creek Interceptor District to the west of it, it would require at least 2,800 feet of lateral line, at an estimated cost of \$10,000.

Mr. Williams stated that when Sewer District 317 (the one north of the Center) was planned, it was proposed that the Center be included in the district; however, the City realized that it had no power to make assessments against State property so for that reason it was taken out.

Mr. Pratt stated that the \$32,200 assessment against the Center was advanced because of the City receiving a request to extend the present main 210 feet south, place a highway crossing, and installing a manhole at the south end of the highway adjacent to the State property.

Mr. McAtee stated that the present disposal plant is situated at the east side of the property. It would require 1,100 feet of lateral line to hook onto the north main in comparison to 2,800 feet required to hook to the west main. Also, by going to the west it would require an additional \$10,000 for a pumping station.

Senator Sanborn asked if the present treatment unit is sanitary. Mr. Williams answered that the health officers had stated that the Center be attached to the City sewer main no later than the fall of 1965. It is a very unhealthy situation, he said.

Senator Ward pointed out that over 30 cities throughout the State submitted offers on the proposed minimum security institution, and practically all of them submitted offers to put in all utilities without cost to the State. This proposal costs us \$32,200. Also, he pointed out that Senate Bill 208 passed the Senate whereby 72 acres of land on K.N.I. is to be deeded to the City of Topeka for a golf course. According to Senator Ward, this request looks like a "one way street".

Mr. Pratt stated that the State Architect's office had communicated with the City relative to this question. He stated that in all fairness to the people in the district (it is strictly a benefit district and not assessed to the City at Large) these people are paying for that themselves and that it should be assessed on an area basis. He said any answer the State may have will have to go to the City Commission for their concurrence; the Engineer's Office is only acting on behalf of the interests involved.

The Chairman then stated that the subcommittee will study the matter further.

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The following representatives on behalf of United Funds, appeared before the Committee with reference to withholding for the agency: Bud Cornish, president of the Topeka United Funds; John Malloy, executive director, Topeka United Funds; Kirk Hammer, assistant director of the Kansas City United Funds; Verne Smith of Adler's Stores in Kansas City, an active volunteer for United Funds; Ole Olson, general manager of the A.T. & S.F. Railway, Topeka; Ed Showalter, director of the Board of Industrial Relations, Kansas City; and Mr. Lewis, an active volunteer in the Kansas City United Funds drives.

Full text of the comments made on behalf of withholding for United Funds is attached to and made part of these minutes.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

THEO. A. SANBORN, Chairman