

Mr. BYRNE: On a point of order, Mr. Chairman—

Mr. KINDT: Now, I did not interrupt you and I do not think you should interrupt me.

The CHAIRMAN: I would like to bring your remarks to bear on the point in issue.

Mr. BYRNE: Mr. Chairman, any time Mr. Kindt considers I am out of order he can bring it to the attention of the Chair. I affirm what Mr. Kindt is saying is out of order and bears no relevance whatever to the report of the committee.

Mr. KINDT: I put questions before the adjournment, Mr. Chairman, in respect of how this committee was being run. I think that witnesses who are brought before the committee should be a question of discussion amongst members of the committee, and what I am trying to do is discuss that matter. However, you are trying to interrupt me and say I have not the right.

The CHAIRMAN: Will you carry on, Mr. Kindt, and bring your remarks to any point you wish. You may make any motion you wish at this time.

Mr. KINDT: I am discussing the motion which is before the committee.

Mr. PATTERSON: Question.

Mr. KINDT: Mr. Chairman, my contention is that all you are doing here is not getting at the meat in the coconut.

The CHAIRMAN: Would you suggest how we get at the meat in the coconut?

Mr. BYRNE: It is a lovely bunch of coconuts.

Mr. KINDT: I would ask that you bring in someone who knows something about watershed development and then correlate this whole thing. This has been a question of the blind leading the blind from the Chairman down to the whole steering committee.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Kindt, your own party is represented by two members on the steering committee which consists of seven. Have you any complaint in this regard?

Mr. KINDT: That does not make any difference; my statement is still true.

Mr. BYRNE: Mr. Chairman, I move an amendment to the motion.

I move that Mr. Kindt be asked to attend the next meeting of the steering committee, not as a voting member but in order to allow him to discuss these matters with the steering committee.

The CHAIRMAN: Is anyone prepared to second that motion?

Mr. BYRNE: In that way Mr. Kindt would be able to bring all these matters before the committee.

Mr. DINSDALE: I will second that motion, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. KINDT: I am not asking to be on the steering committee.

Mr. BYRNE: I was not suggesting that. I suggested that Mr. Kindt be invited to attend the committee to give his point of view. In this way, when the steering committee make their choice, they first will have had the benefit of Mr. Kindt's greater knowledge.

Mr. DINSDALE: I am seconding the motion, Mr. Chairman. I am not a regular member of the steering committee, as you know. However, I have had the opportunity of representing my party on the steering committee in the absence of the regular members. It was my impression that the members of the steering committee, including yourself as Chairman, are looking for suggestions to make the hearings as representative and as broad as possible, and if Mr. Kindt has a contribution to make in this respect I think he should have the privilege of being heard by the steering committee, at which time it can be considered in detail.