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ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, JULY 7, 1977

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hunter, the Chairman, in the meeting room in the Clinton fire station at 7:07 P. M.

Commissioners present: Marion E. Hunter Joseph H. Long

Others present: Chief Erikson, Batt. Chief Gabelein, Carla Willhight, Whidbey Record Reporter And Bob Jackson, recently appointed Fire Inspector for Building Department of Island County.

Minutes of last meeting of June 2, 1977 read by Secretary and approved as read.

Current bills in the amount of \$5,278.62 are on hand and after examination Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Hunter that they be allowed and vouchers approved and signed, carried unanimously.

There is an application from one man for admittance to the fire department. He is Robert Windecker for the Bayview station. This man is acceptable and the application is signed by the Commissioners.

The Secretary reports receiving word from Alexander & Alexander that they have placed a rider on for the Fire District insurance for protection until the insurance policy can be issued.

The Chief reports on his and Mr. Hunters attendance at the County Commissioner hearing relative to the County Attorney's oppinion on County Fire Code.

The Chief has received a price of \$235.78 from Bill Alexander for kitchen cabinets for the Bayview station. There is some discussion and the Commissioners ask if this is with a 6 foot workbench, if not the Chief is asked to get a price with the 6 foot counter. Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. Hunter authorizing the Chief to purchase the cabinets for the Bayview station at a cost of \$235.78 plus tax if it comes with a 6 foot workbench, carried unanimously.

The door problem at the Bayview station still is not corrected. The Chief says that the owner of American Doors says he will come over and personally take care of this.

The Chief reports that he has had no bid so far on installing the bulkheads on the north and south sides of the Bayview station lot. The bulkhead at the south side would need to be in before the blacktopping of the lot is done. It is Suggested to the Chief to try to get a bid from Kinskie Construction for this job.

There is now discussion regarding installing of a drain sump and blacktopping of the Eayview lot. Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Hunter instructing the Secretary to advertise in the paper and post notices calling for bids for the drain sump and blacktopping of the Bayview station lot, carried unanimously.

Fire Control Northwest sold the surplus 10 horse 3 phase siren for us. Mr. Hunter reports that they have informed him that the payment of \$500.00 has been mailed.

The siren was sold by them to Lewis County Fire District No 18, who came and picked it up. They also took a reel with 150 feet of hose and a nozzle, which had been taken off of 944 and was surplus. This was taken with the understanding that the Commissioners would set a price on this piece of equipment at the meeting of July 7, 1977. In discussion it is agreed on a price of \$100.00. Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. Hunter instructing the Secretary to bill them \$100.00 for the reel, 150 feet of hose and nozzle, carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson is now given the floor to present the present known program for himself as concerning his position as Fire Inspector for the Building Department of Island County. He states that he is only on a three day a week basis. He admits that this will prevent accomplishing all the objectives that he would like to attain to, especially in view of the fact that he has no County car for transportation. He says there are several hundred Commercial buildings and public assembly buildings to inspect. He also expects to attend classes on arson and on the scene fire investigation. He is hopeful that he will be able to have a car by the first of the year. He is now thanked for his attendance and takes his leave at 8:10 P. M.

Discussion now turns to the need for taking care of the roof leaks at Clinton and Maxwelton stations. The Chairman says that in inspecting the roof at Maxwelton he found that the problem was only at the lambeams. He says this can be solved by renailing the roof at these places, then using web patching and then two plys of roofing paper across these two places. The Chief agrees that he and Assistant Chief Berkeland could take care of this.

In discussion on the Clinton station the Chief says it is in worse shape. The Chairman says he feels the Commissioners should inspect this one further before a decision is made on how to take care of this.

At this time discussion turns to the need for painting the outside of the Glinton station. Mr. Hunter says his feeling is that this should be done with a full-bodied stain. He also states the need for specifying the proper preparation before painting. Mr. Long agrees. Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. Hunter instructing the Secretary to advertise in the paper and post notices calling for bids for preparation and painting with full-bodied Olympic stain on the outside of the Clinton station, carried unanimously.

The Chairman now suggests the need for dressing of the banks around the lot at the Freeland station and also possibly some bulkheading. The bulkheading would be on the south side and part way along the east side. He suggests the Commissioners should get together and look this over before our next meeting of August 4, 1977.

The Chief now says he would like permission to invest the money received from the sale of surplus material in new helmets. There is some discussion. The helmet he has to show at the meeting at \$30.00 is not acceptable. It is suggested that he look into this further and come up with some other type of helmet on which the face shield can be put back off of the face when necessary. The Chief has suggested a probable need for 50 helmets. He is now asked if there are 50 of the present helmets that need to be replaced. It was agreed that there were some that should be replaced but only the ones that were no longer serviceable. Mr. Hunter says he would be willing to use the \$500.00 received from the sale of the siren for helmets at this time but feels that the need is not great enough to spend any more. Mr. Long also states that this is his feeling.

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The Chief reports that he has ordered some training material from the National Fire Protection Association at a cost of \$27.50. This is slides and other material on fires in plastics and how to handle them. This is acceptable with the Commissioners.

Business is now concluded and meeting is adjourned at 9:55 P. M.

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