

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS 6 November, 1969

Meeting Called to order by Mr. Henny the Chairman at 7.00 P.M. at the # 2 fire station at Clinton.

Commissioners present: David C. Henny  
Joseph H. Long

Minutes of the last meeting on 2 October read, and approved as read.

Current bills in the amount of \$ 2508.44 from the firms and individuals listed on the reverse side this sheet are on hand and examined. Mr. Henny makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that they be allowed and vouchers approved and signed, carried.

Under new business the secretary read a letter from the Washington State Employees Pension which said that all full time paid police and firefighters would after the first the year come under this system, and requesting that a form for each paid person be filled out and mailed in to their office.

Orville R. Hunter now arrives as a guest of the meeting.

Marvyn Berkeland is on hand at the request of the Commissioners to discuss his possible employment by the District.

Hunter report that the saratoga station is not as yet finished inside, re insulation wiring etc. But that the exterior walls in front have been repaired where they were rotted out, and the second large door has been installed, along with a lowering of the other large door. Also that the roof has been repaired and recoated with tar.

Hunter also reports that the water has been piped in to the Saratoga station since the station ~~has been~~ built and the truck has been filled from it any time it needs water in the tank, and that to date the District has never paid anything for this service. He says that he feels that in fairness to Mr. Schmidt, and because the District does pay for water at Clinton station, and at the Freeland station, the District should also pay at least the minimum monthly amount at Saratoga, which is \$ 3.00 per month.

After brief discussion it is agreed this is right and Mr. Henny makes motion, seconded by Mr. Long that this amount be paid as of November 1969, carried.

Chief now requests that the District purchase a kitchen cabinet and wall cabinet for the Maxwellton station kitchen. He says it will run approximately \$ 275.00 He also mentions the need for the same at the Clinton and Freeland stations, in the soon future.

There is a brief discussion and Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Henny that the cabinet for the Maxwellton station be purchased, carried.

Attention is now turned to Marv Berkeland. and he is questioned as to how long he has been in the Clinton department, which is about three years. He is also questioned as to any previous experience in fire fighting he has had. Mr. Henny asks him if he feels he could perhaps learn and develop to the point he could act as assistant Chief. He says he feels he can with time and study. Orville Hunter points out that Mr. Berkeland is at present employed on a part time basis by the Clinton Water District and has been the most instrumental influence in establishing good public relations for the water district, and seems to feel he would be a good public relations man for the fire district.

The question of salary is now discussed and Marv is asked what salary he would expect. He does not mention any figure, not knowing what would be expected of him in the way of time or duties. He is at present paid \$ 250.00 per month by the water district and does read meters, do repair and service work on the water lines, and act as trouble shooter for the water district. This does not require a large part of his time.

Hunter says he feels that two days per week for the Fire district, after he gets acquainted with the operation, might suffice for the present, which at \$ 3.00 per hour would round out at \$ 200.00 per month and would suggest this as a starting salary. Mr. Berkeland is asked if this would be satisfactory and he says it would.

There is some further discussion, and Mr. Henny makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that Mr. Berkeland be employed as of the present at a salary of \$ 200.00 per month. Carried.

Mr. Henny asks the Chief if he has inquired recently as to any large sirens being available. Hunter replies he has on several occasions and as yet none have been available. Orville reports that Doctor Bob Savage has several times talked to him about an enormously large siren near Edmonds that a friend of his has and can be gotten very cheaply. The siren is mounted on a circular track and the whole assembly is large and heavy. The Chief says Doctor Savage has also talked to him about this siren, but the Chief feels it is much too large and heavy for the district to handle or to install on any of its buildings.

Discussions are now ended and the meeting is adjourned at 9.10 P.M.

*Marion E. Hunter*

Marion E. Hunter, Secretary  
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