

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, NOVEMBER 4, 1976

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hunter, the Chairman, in the meeting room in the Clinton fire station at 7:00 P. M.

Commissioners present: Marion E. Hunter Chief Erikson present  
Joseph H. Long Batt. Chief Gabelein "  
Kenneth G. McClellan Carl Simmons, Eldr. "

Minutes of last meeting of October 7, 1976 read by Secretary and approved as read.

Current bills in the amount of \$18,973.25 are on hand and after examination Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. McClellan that they be allowed and vouchers approved and signed, carried unanimously. They are listed on reverse side of this sheet.

At this time Carl Simmons, Eldr., is given the floor. The discussion turns to the Bayview station under construction. It is agreed by all present to have the large doors painted the same color as the walls with dark green trim.

The plans for the downstairs restrooms show a wallmounted counter with a sink in the middle. Mr. Simmons suggests a change to a wallmounted wash bowl instead and the Commissioners agree to this as they feel it would be more satisfactory.

The Commissioners also agree to having the electrician hook up the siren at Bayview.

Discussion now turns to the Saratoga station. Mr. Simmons asks if he should install a door on the hose tower there. It is also brought out that the hot water will need to be housed in, and RGS cable installed up to the top of the hose tower for the receiver antenna. These will be done at a later date.

Mr. Simmons now has the Saratoga station completed re his contract.

Mr. Simmons is thanked for his attendance and takes his leave at 7:53 P. M.

The Chief reports that he has received confirmation of his registration to attend a Sprinkler School in Mount Vernon.

The Chief requests three receivers for the door and siren control by radio at Freeland, Saratoga and Bayview stations. He also reports that we can get an air chisel, for use as rescue equipment, from Alden Equipment at a cost of \$225.00. The price at W. S. Darley is only \$10.00 less and would involve transportation cost from Chicago. It is agreed that it would be better to get the air chisel from Alden Equipment.

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Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. McClellan authorizing the Chief to purchase the three receivers and the air chisel, carried unanimously.

Mr. McClellan suggests that we inform the State Patrol that we have this air chisel as soon as we get it.

The poor condition of the interior of the Bush Point station is now brought up. It is also brought out that the response has been very poor there for years on fires, with no response on many occasions. The Chairman says he feels this station could be phased out as it also is not recognized by the rating bureau, and also for economic and practical reasons. Mr. McClellan says he wonders what the reaction would be to closing this station. The Chairman says we should call a public meeting there, should we decide to pursue this further, and lay our cards on the table in regard to this in order to get public input.

The Chairman mentions the need to think about enclosing the hose tower ladders with cages, as seen by him at the Lake Goodwin fire station. He feels we will eventually be forced to put these in if we have not already got them.

Mr. McClellan reports that the District will receive rental from the D. N. R. for the use of the District tanker and also that Mr. Baty will receive pay for his labor.

The Chief reports he had Island Sand & Gravel put the siren in place on the hose tower at Bayview. The District will be billed for this.

Business is now concluded and meeting is adjourned at 8:12 P. M.

*Ella E. Hunter*

Ella E. Hunter, Secretary  
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