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ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS 7 June, 1973

Meeting called to order by the chairman Mr. Henny at 7.00 P.M. in the meeting room of the Clinton fire station.

Present: Commissioner, David C. Henny, chairman
" Lloyd S. Capp
" Joseph H. Long

Fire Chief, Randolph Erikson

Batt. Chief, Gary Gabelein

Secretarys wife, Mrs Hunter

Minutes of the last meeting on 3 May read, and approved except to add the word 'approximate' to the paragraph relative to the amount the Chief was authorized to spend for equipment, clothing, and radio equipment for the new Bayveiw fire department making it read; 'approxiamtely' \$2000

Curretn bills in the amount of \$ 2281.01 from the firms and individuals listed on the reverse side this sheet are on hand, and after examination Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that they be allowed and vouchers signed, carried unanimously.

The Chief now reports that the sirens installed on the County shed where the fire truck is housed at Bayveiw is not very effective. There is some discussion relative to this, and the Chief is instructed to be on the lookout for a larger one which might become available. In this connection the Chief reports he has already contacted some of the suppliers re this. He also reports that some of the fire departments on the mainland are discontinuing the use of sirens, and are relying entirely on radio to alert thier firemen. One of the reasons is in the area of noise polution reduction.

The Chief now asks the approval of two new firemen applications, one a woman, wife of one of the Bush Point firemen. This is granted and the application signed.

Attention is now turned to the question of financing of a new fire station on the recently acquired lot in the Bayveiw area. The secretary now points out that there is no money budgeted this year for construction of a new station, and that at the time a few months ago of discussion of acquiring a lot for this purpose at Bayveiw the idea was presented to only purchase a lot for use some time in the future, but not at present. He also points out that the reserve fund being built up in the expense account had been earmarked for purchase of a new fire pumper truck.

The Chief is asked which he considers to be of greater priority, a new station; or, a new truck. He replies he had been thinking about it, but had not decided. He also says he feels there may not be any urgency to move the present truck from the County shed in the forseeable future.

In connection with new fire trucks they can be purchased on time contracts. Other means of financing trucks are: 1 - G.O. bond issue, 2 - One year special levy. Both methods requiring approval by the District voters at an election. 3 - issuing of coupon warrants without vote of the people, but can be for no more than one and one half per cent of the Districts tax valuation. The above percentage must include any outstanding indebtedness. The District at present has outstanding \$60,000 in G.O. bonds. On the above basis the coupon warrant would be the most desirable as the consensus of opinion seems to be no new taxes are desirable.

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Orville Hunter has arrived at meeting at 7.40 as a visitor.

Attention is now turned to the G.O. bond fund. There is over \$ 16,000 in the fund, and after discussion Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Long to invest \$16,000 of this fund in 90 day securities, and to pass resolution # 66 to accomplish this, carried unanimously.

There is \$ 12,000 of expense fund money invested at present and should be back in the fund very soon. Inasmuch as there was budgeted \$4000 for this fund for this year and there is at present more than this amount in the fund, after discussion Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the \$4000 be added to the \$ 12,000 for a total of \$16,000 and adopt resolution # 67 to invest this amount in 90 day securities, carried unanimously.

The secretary feels there will still be ample funds left in the expense fund to care for the normal operating expenses in the interim time until the money is returned to the fund.

Attention is now turned to the Chiefs request to appoint Dale Treece to the position of Battalion Chief of the Bush Point department to fill the position left vacant by the death of Richard Howrey recently, and Robert Iddins as Captain in that department. Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that this be done, carried unanimously.

Mr. Capp now makes motion seconded by Mr. Long to approve earlier oral acceptance of Audre Lundgren and Francis Sullivan as two new members in the fire department, carried.

The Chief requests permission to send five men to the Oil Fire Control School at Yakima later in the summer at an estimated cost of \$50.00 per man. Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that that this permission be granted at an approximate cost of \$50.00 per man, carried unanimously.

The Chief now reports on the fire alarms handled during the past month.

The Chief also reports on the attendance by himself and Marv Berkelund at a meeting conducted by a Medic one man which was very interesting.

The Chief also says the next meeting of the Central Puget Sound Firemens Association will be held at Blaine and he will go if any of the people present wish to go also.

The chairman now asks for comments from the visitors present. Gary Gabelein reports he feels the new department at Bayveiw is moving along quite progressively.

Mrs. Hunter has no comments. Orville Hunter has left the meeting already.

There is no further business and meeting is adjourned at 8.55

Marion E. Hunter

Marion E. Hunter, secretary
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