

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS NOVEMBER 14 1966

Meeting called to order by the chairman Mr. Capp at 7.00 P.M.

Commissioners present: Lloyd S. Capp
David C. Henny
Joseph H. Long

This special meeting called to further consider, and award bid for the supplying of one radio base station to the District.

Chief Hunter submits a statement of comparison of the bids received from Wold Radio Electric for General Electric base, Motorola Communications for Motorola base, and Radio Systems Inc. for R.C.A. base.

Hunters report states that the General Electric base station offered by Wold Radio does not meet specifications as it is for an 80 watt output station and the specs call for 100 watt minimum output, so this bid is no longer considered.

Since the opening of the bids on November 3 a letter has been received by the District from Mr. Maki of Motorola stating that their price has been increased from \$ 1641.15 to \$ 1723.20, and increase of \$ 82.05

The letter from Mr. Maki also states that they will supply .0002 % frequency stability unit in their radio, but does not state that it is included at the above price, so it is assumed that there would be an additional cost for this item which in Hunters estimation could run as much as \$ 100 or more. R.C.A offers in their bid a frequency stability of .0001 % which Hunter considers a very desirable feature as it could be used as standard for the rest of the radio system.

The subject of meters is discussed and Hunter feels that the R.C.A unit with five meters in a panel at the top of the unit, for which R.C.A. has included an additional cost of \$ 100 is very important in the periodic checking of the station which will be done by himself, or others. Motorola only includes two meters in the unit at the top for checking, which must be done by using a switching arrangement. This hunter considers not so desirable as the five meter unit. In addition to the five meters at the panel at top of unit a meter is also included in the interior panel for further checking of all circuits. This makes a total of six meters furnished with the R.C.A. unit.

The item of the intercom unit to be furnished shows that Motorola furnished a combination speaker, microphone in one unit, while R.C.A. furnishes a telephone type handset. Also bid states it does not include an intercom termination unit as they say it was not included in the specs, so this would also mean an increase in cost to supply this.

The matter of service is discussed. R.C.A. is sold and serviced by Radio Systems Inc which means one source responsibility. Motorola sells direct and then the service is supplied by an independent outside service shop. Hunter says that Lawrence Radio in Everett services Motorola and he feels they are capable, but still feels in that it is a split responsibility it is not as desirable as one source responsibility.

He also states that Radio Systems Inc. have four field service trucks in operation and service many systems throughout the Puget Sound ~~area~~ ^{region} for private businesses,

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in fact hundreds of units, so he has confidence in their ability to thoroughly take care of the needs of the District. He has been using their services for the past year and finds it is very good.

In summing up, considering the additional meters, the more desirable intercom m unit and the fact these units y if furnished by Motorola would, plus the added frequency stability unit probably bring the cost in line with the R.C.A. bid.

Mr. Long now makes motion, seconded by Mr. Henny that the District accept the bid of Radio Systems Inc. to supply an R.C.A. base station for \$ 2068.37 delivered and installed at the Districts base station site. Mr. Capp votes with the two other Commissioners. Radio Systems shall be notified.

This concludes the business and meeting is adjourned at 7.45.P.M.

Marion E. Hunter
Marion E. Hunter, Secretary
Island County Fire Protection District No 3