

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS 7, ~~February~~ ^{MARCH} 1974

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

Commissioners present: Lloyd S. Capp Chief Erikson present
Joseph H. Long Batallion Chief Gabelein "
Marion E. Hunter Maintenance Man M. Berkeland "
Instructor Baty arrives at 7.15

Minutes of last meeting on 7 February read and approved with one small addition, (1 word).

Current bills in the amount of \$2093.88 are on hand and after examination Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that they be allowed and vouchers approved and signed. Carried unanimously. They are listed on the reverse side this sheet.

There are applications from two men for admittance to the fire department, one for the Bayveiw station, and one for the Freeland station. They are John E. Bayha Jr. and Terry Hornshaw. They are acceptable and Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that these men be accepted, carried unanimously and the applications are signed.

Under old business The Chief brings the subject of a man attending the Fire Command school at Yakima in April on 8,9,10, and 11, which had been discussed in a previous meeting. He reccomends sending Marv Berkeland to this school. After some discussion Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the Chief send Mr. Berkeland to this school, carried unanimously.

Mr. Baty now says ~~he would like to attend this school also.~~ ^{other than for training} The Chief states that Baty is not an officer and is not eligible to attend. Chief says maybe for consideration next year.

The Chief is asked if he has any late information on the new truck, and the answer is negative.

Under new business the Chief reports that Fire Control Northwest has a thirty five foot three section ladder of ~~approximate~~ the top grade available at Bellevue which is priced at \$409.90. On a ladder such as this the freight from factory is in the order of \$25.00 or \$30.00 and in this case the freight would only be from Bellevue. The Chief feels this is a very good buy and reccomends the purchase. There is further discussion and Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that the Chief be authorized to go ahead with the purchase. Motion carried unanimously.

The Chief now brings up the attendance of himself at meetings of the Central Puget Sound Fire Fighters Association of recent times. He feels that affilliating with this group by Fire District Three Firemen would be of bennefit locally. He reports that their bylaws would have to be changed to be able to accept this District into the association but if it is done he would like to see it done. Annual dues would be \$ 10.00. Some discussion but no action.

Attention is now turned to another topic, namely a portable manual resusitator which is, he feels a a good unit. There is some discussion regarding same. The price is \$60.00 for one unit but the unit he feels he would like is more expensive in the order of \$70.00 He would like to have six of these units, one for each of the main trucks. The Chief also shows the model the District now has which is carried in the Chief car. Mr. Capp now makes motion seconded by Mr. Long, ~~that the Chief be empowered to go ahead with the purchase of these units, carried unanimously.~~ ^{that the Chief be empowered to go ahead with the purchase of these units, carried unanimously.}

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The Chief now turns attention to the uniform emblems discussed at a previous meeting. He has gotten some prices on these patches and feels the prices quoted by a firm in the east is the lowest and would be the best buy. The price is .70¢ each for a full loom run, FOB Paramus New Jersey, as opposed to \$1.15 each for a half loom run. After discussion Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the Chief be authorized to order a full loom run of 160 emblems at the above prices, carried.

There now is discussion relative to air paks the District now has, especially the 15 minute size, of which the District now has at least three.

The Chief reports on a first aid meeting held in the Freeland fire station recently for the fire department and conducted by a fireman from King County, on CPR and first aid. He feels it was very good and instructive.

Hunter reports on status of the mobile radio of which there were two authorized to be purchased at the last meeting in February. They were from RCA, of 70 watts at a price of \$785.00 each FOB Clinton. He reports he received a telephone call from James Fridlund of RCA from Bellevue. Fridlund told him the price of the radios had risen January first in the amount of 5.6% but that the company would honor the former price quotation if they were ordered immediately. The radios would be slated for delivery the week of the 22nd of April and payment either in May or June. This is after the large portion of taxes are paid so the District would be in good position to meet the obligation. In light of the timing and especially the savings in cost of two radios (\$87.90 approximately) and the urgency at the time, Hunter gave Fridlund the go ahead on the order. A letter confirming the order was received yesterday, regarding the price and delivery time.

Hunter now reads a statement of his policies in acting as a fire commissioner during his term of office, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. The Statement also covers some of the goals he has set for himself to help to achieve.

The Chief now makes a statement that he feels instructor Baty has been doing a good job with the training program with the materials etc furnished by the State office. There is discussion relative to training and the need for a class on radio operating procedure for the firemen, and on response procedures at the time of an alarm.

Baty now comments that he feels the EMT program has been overstressed, especially after talking recently to a State trooper re same.

Hunter now reports on the recent meeting the Chief and himself attended at Coupeville conducted by the office of Emergency Services, with Roy Evans the County director and a young man from the State office. The meeting was attended almost entirely by service station operators, there being only about six fire service, and some law enforcement people. Chief Erikson says he felt these station operators were trying to get more gasoline allotments by using the emergency services as the tool to accomplish. Hunter agrees.

Gabelein inquires of Hunter regarding the pension program for volunteer firemen, which Hunter explains.

Marv Berkeland is asked for comment, but says he has none.

The business is now concluded and meeting adjourned at 8.52

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