

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 5, 1965

(Capp)

Meeting called to order by Mr. Capp the chairman at 7.00 P.M. at the meeting room of the Whidbey Telephone Company at Bayview.

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

Minutes of the regular meetings on June 3, and July 1, read and approved as read. County Treasurers report on hand and shows a balance of \$ 6579.53 on hand with warrants in the amount of \$ 82.63 outstanding as of June 30.

Vouchers for current bills are examined, and Mr. Long makes motion, seconded by Mr. Capp that the bills be allowed and the vouchers signed. Carried.

Total amount of the vouchers approved is \$ 705.44 and they are listed on the reverse side this sheet.

The Secretary reported on a change of laws by the last Legislature. This change involves the approving of a resolution by the commissioners appointing one individual to, authenticate and certify, all vouchers for payment of bills against the district, instead of the former method of having each vendor sign voucher for his bill. This procedure will simplify matters for the secretary of the district.

Mr. Henny makes motion, seconded by Mr. Long to adopt resolution # 39 39 appointing Mr. Marion E. Hunter the secretary, and authorizing him to authenticate and certify all vouchers for bills against the district.

The Chief reported on the meeting regarding the formation of a ULID at Freeland by the Freeland water district. This was meeting to receive protests against the ULID. There were only 10% of ownership of property involved protesting, and it would require a 40% protest to stop the ULID. The Commissioners went ahead with the procedure for setting up of the ULID.

Mr. Capp brought up the matter of the Fire district budget for 1966. It will have to be acted upon by the September meeting. It was briefly discussed and the informal decision was to increase it by approximately 10 % over 1965 budget. The secretary is instructed to proceed on this basis for the consideration at the September meeting.

Mr. Henny now disqualifies himself as a fire commissioner and says he is now acting as a representative of the Whidbey Telephone Company, to bring up the next matter for discussion. This matter is relative to a tape recorder which the Chief has installed on the hot line phone at his home to record incoming calls on the hot line. It seems that this is an illegal procedure, unless there is a beeper tone generating equipment installed to inject a beep tone on the line at 15 second intervals, while the call is being recorded. Mr. Henny is asked what this would involve. He says that the Telephone company has one of these instruments on hand, procured for a former installation, and now available for other use, and would cost \$ 5.00 per month rental. Hunter asks Mr. Henny if the \$ 5.00 per month is to pay for the equipment or for service in connection with its use. The answer indicates that it is both. Hunter states that a beeper can be gotten from supply house for a little over \$ 20.00.

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Mr. Henny states that it is a matter of legality and tariffs, etc.

Mr. Capp asks Hunter if the recorder is necessary on the hot line. The reply is that Hunter bought the recorder at his own expense at a cost of between \$ 80.00 and \$ 90.00 and would not have done so if he had not considered it a necessity, quoting several fire departments who are using recorders, finding them a necessity. He also stated that his request to Mr. Henny to install a recorder on the emergency line at the telephone office, and brought the suggestion from Mr. Henny to install the hot line to Hunters, this making it possible to have the recorder on the line with a minimum of complications.

Mr. Long says the question in his mind is, as to the cost of the beeper in light of what Hunter had said regarding cost. There was some further discussion of the problem.

Mr. Capp now makes motion seconded by Mr. Long, and carried, for the Telephone company to install the beeper equipment at the cost of \$ 5.00 per month.

Hunter asks Mr. Henny what would be involved in routing fire alarms directly to dispatch headquarters on the hot line instead through the telephone operator. Mr. Henny replies that it would be comparatively simple. Another number would have to be assigned for this use only, by those reporting fire alarms.

This will bear further discussion. Hunter states the reason for being interested, is to eliminate any possible delay in receiving fire alarms.

Hunter had earlier in the meeting reported that the radio base lot had now been cleared and he thought it looked very good. Mr. Long also agrees, as he had seen the clearing job. There are three big stumps on the lot which will not interfere with our use of the lot and would be expensive to remove.

Mr. Larry Alden now arrives. Mr. Capp asks him if he has any thing to discuss and he says he would like to talk Pletron receivers if possible.

Mr. Long excuses himself as he has another meeting to attend this evening. After a little discussion Mr. Henny excuses himself as he has a man awaiting him upstairs.

Meeting is adjourned at 8,30 .

Mr. Capp, Mr. Alden and Hunter informally discuss the Pletrons and then Mr. Capp leaves requesting Mr. Alden and Hunter to discuss the matter and for Mr. Alden to make a proposal to present at the next meeting in September for financing the purchasing the Pletrons on a contract.

*M. E. Hunter*  
Secretary Island Co. Fire Dist No 3