

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS 2, January 1975

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hunter the chairman at 7.05 P.M. in the meeting room in the Clinton fire station.

Commissioners present: Marion E. Hunter  
Lloyd S. Capp  
Joseph H. Long

Chief Erikson present  
Assist. Chief Berkelund "  
Batt. Chief G. Gabelein and Mrs.  
Gabelein "

Minutes of the last meeting on 5 December 1974 read and approved as read.

Current bills in the amount of \$2200.08 are on hand and examined and found to be in order and Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that they be allowed and vouchers be approved and signed, carried unanimously. Listed on reverse side this sheet.

An application from James Maynard to become a volunteer fireman in the Bayveiw department is presented and after examination is approved and signed by the Commissioners.

Under old business the secretary brings up the matter of the request of 'Franks Radio & Communications' of 3 October 1974, in which he requests permission to install a small radio repeater station in the Districts radio transmitter building on Cultus bay road, and to install two small antenna's on the tower. The Chairman states he had asked Mr. Ingalsbe some time ago if he had started proceedings with The FCC for permission to do so and he said no, apparently waiting for the fire District to grant permission for the station and antenna installation before doing so. In the letter of 3 October he stated he would absolve the fire District of any liability and to guarantee the equipment to be compatible with the District equipment and to not create any interference with the equipment.

After discussion the Commissioners agree to the request from the above named company, and will request it to furnish written agreement to the above named conditions, and the secretary is to contact Mr. Ingalsbe in furtherance of the above.

The chairman now states he has recapped the Districts finances and feels if expenses are held down there will probably be enough funds to take care of the needs for February vouchers and hopefully part of March bills. This is dependant on taxes reported in during December, which report is not out yet, to the District.

The latest report from the State Fire Commissioner office is that there is bill in the national senate # 4177 by Senator Packwood of Oregon to declare a moratorium on the implementation of the fair labor standards act as applying to volunteer fire departments, for one year. It is suggested that each fire Commissioner write a letter to Washington State senators and congressmen urging them to support passage of this bill. The report also says that contracts for fire protection for school districts are to be mailed soon to school administrators and fire districts may be able to get them from these officials.

Discussion is now turned to driver training for emergency equipment which will be especially necessary for District firemen in the Freeland station as, the new truck has been received which will be placed in that station. The Chief now reports that there will be a driver training program from the State firemen training office in Olympia in the near future. This will be programmed from that office. There are now pending at least two law suits in King County claiming damages because of alleged

negligence on the part of fire Commissioners and fire Chief in not properly training fire truck drivers.

The State training office has not presented the program as yet. The Chief feels he will be contacted when the program is ready. There is some further discussion relative.

Mr. Capp now asks the meaning of 'vertical standards' in reference to the new labor standards act. The Chief explains it refers to specific standards as applying to any specific industry or occupation, especially definitions and interpretations applicable to that occupation. These have not been completed as yet, with the final versions available.

It is now reported that the Clinton department recently had a resisitor call in which they were able save a person and not find him DOA. The men are real happy about it.

Discussion now turns to the new truck and the Chief gives an oral report on the trip to Clinton from Appleton Wisconsin with the truck. He and Ed Nelson brought it out and he feels it was a fine gesture on Eds part, to do it on his own time. Ed being a mechanic working for the County, and familiar with diesel trucks was able to be of much help on the trip.

The Chief says he was very much impressed by the size and efficiency of the Pierce Manufacturing plant, it having three assembly lines. The quality of its products seem to be of the highest degree.

Chief also reports that the roads were clear most of the way except for the stretch from Superior Montana to Spokane Washington. This portion was covered with packed <sup>snow</sup> and ice and had to be traveled at a slow speed using chains.

He also reports Norm Crist is to be here on the 13th to instruct in the operation of the truck.

There are also several variances in the truck which will require some adjusting in the final cost figures. Maple wood flooring in several places in place of oak, different valves in one place, and possibly more areas, are some of the above.

Ed Nelson is to have a list of items which will require either Pierce or Ford to correct on the truck.

The Chairman states he feels that as the District is paying a slightly different down payment and there will be several areas of cost adjustment, including some additions and some deductions, that the entire contract should be rewritten in order to reflect an accurate financial picture of the entire deal.

The Chief doesnt feel the District is being hurt by the several variances.

There is no correspondence, and visitors are asked for comments. Marv Berkelund has none. Gary Gabelein says he wants some more alerting receivers for some of his men. Some discussion between The Chief and Gabelein, no action.

There is no further business and meeting is adjourned at 8.50

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