

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No.3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, MAY 2, 1974

Meeting called to order by chairman Mr. Hunter in the meeting room in the Clinton fire station at 7:00 P.M.

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| Commissioners present: | Marion E. Hunter | Chief Erikson | present |
| | Lloyd S. Capp | Battalion Chief Gabelein | " |
| | Joseph H. Long | Maintenance Man Berkeland | " |
| | | Training instructor Baty | " |

Minutes of the last meeting read by secretary and approved as read.

Current bills in the amount of \$6,791.61 are on hand and after examination Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that they be allowed and vouchers are approved and signed. Carried unanimously. They are listed on reverse side of this sheet.

The secretary reports receipt of a check for \$525.00 from the South Whidbey Brokers Association for the purchase of a Resusci Anne and an Anatomic Anne. The chairman suggests the secretary write a letter of thanks on behalf of the Commissioners, the Chief and the people of South Whidbey.

There is an application from one man for admittance to the fire department for the Freeland station. Larie J. Lange is acceptable and the application is signed.

The Chief reports the squeeze bags have been received.

There has been no word on the new truck so far, Mr. Hunter says there is no penalty if not delivered. He suggests the Chief call directly to the Pierce Company in Appleton, Wisconsin for information. If we have to get a 1975 chassis there would be an additional cost of approximately \$1500.00 for changes in the braking. Commissioners feel need to follow through on this or start over.

The Chief states the problem with the Bush Point siren has been taken care of, also there are no more problems with the use of the hydrants at Freeland. He also reports the reverse gear in the Chief's car has been repaired.

The Chief now invites the Commissioners and secretary to attend the meeting at the Maxwellton station on Monday May 6. Goodriches office in Olympia is sending someone over to present certificates to the firemen that have completed the training course.

Mr. ^{Hunter} straightened out the problem in the furnace at Clinton station.

The Chief states need to surface lot at Saratoga station with crushed rock at a cost of approximately \$10.50 per yard. Also the need to finish the edges at Maxwellton station. There have been no major problems at Maxwellton station this winter with the lot. We also have the weed killer on hand to use there.

Mr. Hunter mentions the Saratoga station is badly in need of painting. He suggests the Chief examine the walls for dry rot. The Chief is to check on painters available and to get bids on painting the Saratoga station. He is also to get an estimate on surfacing the Saratoga lot.

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Mr. Hunter says Freeland hose tower is a priority job. It needs finishing on the outside as it leaks when windy.

Mr. Lundgren told the Chief he would run a water line to within ten feet of the property line at the Bush Point station for the fire district to hook up to in order to have water in the station. Mr. Hunter reports there is already a water line in there.

The Chief has a smoke ejector in the meeting room and he demonstrates same. He asks permission to purchase two at a cost of \$220.00 each. Mr. Long makes motion that with some pencil sharpening he purchase two smoke ejectors, seconded by Mr. Capp. Carried unanimously. Chief mentions electricity available at scene of fire approximately 60% of the time to operate ejectors.

Mr. Hunter mentions need for working assistant Chief to take charge when Chief not available. Need for action greater than financial need at present. The Chief leaves car with Mr. Baty or Mr. Berkeland at present when away on weekends. The men take instruction from Mr. Baty when he has the Chief's car but not otherwise. Mr. Capp suggests appoint someone and pay on a call basis. Asks Mr. Baty if he would take job, his answer is affirmative. Mr. Hunter says man needs to pass examination to become Chief so man now used as assistant Chief not necessarily to be Chief later. The Chief feels arrangement Mr. Hunter suggests is good. No action taken, to be considered further.

Mr. Berkeland now reports on command school. He states fire attack and fire prevention were stressed. He feels attending was definitely worthwhile.

The Chief reports the seminar was very good. He says he is now eligible for two college credits if he pays the registration fee. They started fire in a wastebasket and in 1½ minutes the room was completely involved. He also saw a demonstration on polyurathane insulation. It burns very fast.

The Chief reads correspondence on annual fire conference and school in Yakima on the 12, 13, 14, & 15 of June. Mr. Baty says he would like to attend. The Chief agrees. Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the Chief send Mr. Baty to the fire school. Carried unanimously.

The Chief mentions the need for two Plectrons for Bayview.

The business is now concluded and meeting is adjourned at 9:12

Ella E. Hunter

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