

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS 4 October 1973

Meeting called to order by Mr. Henny the chairman at 7.05 P.M. in the meeting room of the Clinton fire Station.

Present: Commissioners: David C. Henny Chief: Randolph Erikson
 Lloyd S. Capp Maintenance: Marvin L. Berkelund
 Joseph H. Long Bataillion Chief: Gary Gabelein

Visitors: Raymond Gabelein.
 Ralph Liedholm, who arrived at 7,25

Minutes of the last regular meeting on 6 September read and approved as read.

Current bills in the amount of \$2885.98 from the firms and individuals listed on the reverse side this sheet ar on hand and examined and Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr Long that they be allowed and vouchers approved and signed, carried unanimously.

Under old business the Chief reports that in the matter of revneue sharing by Fire Districts, State law prohibits this.

Also under old business the Chief reports there is no prefire plan on file with the District for the town of Langley. He also reads alletter he has written to the Langley fire Chief Con O'Sullivan, also sending a copy to Lloyd Smith, and Paul Schneider Langley fire marshal.

The Chief now hands out specifications for the new pumper truck to those in attendance. The Commissioners and visitors examine specs. There is no discussion of the specs.

Under new business the Chief reports the need for a new roof on the Freeland station. It has leaked in recent times and been patched, but has been there for 21 years, so should be renewed. Cost is estimated to run to possibly \$400. After brief discussion Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that the Chief call for bids for a new roof and to use his best judgment as to the bids in their evaluation. Carried unanimously.

The Chief now reports on the availability of a ten horse power siren at Mount Lake Terrace. It is priced at \$650 with all controls plus tax. It is discussed and the Chief feels there is a need for it at the newly organized department at Bayveiw.

Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the Chief be empowered to go ahead with the purchase and instalation of the siren, carried unanimously.

At this time the Chief reports that the fall Fire Chiefs conference is in Seattle and he feels he should attend in order to help keep up with current trends in the fire service. The Registration fee is \$50.00 After discussion Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that the Chief be grnated permission to attend, carried unanimously.

The secretary now asks premission to attend the State Fire Commissioners Conference in Spokane, to which the registration fee is \$37.00 plus hotel and part of meals. Dates are 25-26-27 of this month (October). Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the permission be granted, carried unanimously. Estimated cost \$142.00

Under further new business the Chief reports on the need for some further work to be done on the Maxwellton station parking lot to improve water drainage.

Mr. Liedholm is here to explain the work proposed to be done by Fajerson & Liedholm on this project, if they get the bid.

Proposed is to remove top grass and soil in an amount to have a good base for the application of crushed rock in sufficient quantity to provide a good surface which will support ordinary vehicles without miring down during rainy spells.

Liedholms bid is \$650 for the entire job plus tax.

After discussion of availability of funds and the secretary reporting that if the remaining taxes due to come to the district do indeed be paid, he feels there will be the money to do the job, Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the Chief go ahead with this project subject to availability of funds, carried unanimously.

The Chief is to check with the secretary who is to do some researching on the money status of the District, as to the sufficiency of money to do this job.

The Chief now reports on the need for some further weather protection for the truck at Bayveiw from a freezing standpoint. He was contemplating moving it to the Freeland station for the winter for this protection, but feels that this would not be in the interest of good practise as there is now a good group of men in the department at Bayveiw and between the effect on their morale and protection for the area, a better solution should be found. In this connection he suggests an enclosure made of framework and plywood be placed in the stall in the County shed where the truck is now quartered. He estimates the cost at a possible \$400 including a heater for the place. The structure to be made in such a way nearly all of the materials could be salvaged for other use when the need is no longer at this location. Also suggests perhaps some insulation would be in order. The above figure is for material mostly, and very little labor as he feels he and Marv could do most of the work. After discussion it is agreed this is a practical solution to the need for a period of two or three years. The above project would be contingent on permission from the County Commissioners. The Chief says the road crew at the shop feel it is a good idea.

Mr. Capp now makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that the chief go ahead with this project, consistent with the availability of necessary funds. Carried unanimously.

The Chief now reports on fire alarms during the month of September, including one incident of a man falling over a bluff at night.

Marv Berkelund left at 7:50

The Chief now reports he is leaving in the morning for a week of his vacation, and he has notified the Battalion Chiefs he will not be available. Says Marv Berkelund will have the Chiefs car and be available while he is gone.

The visitors are now asked for comments. Mr. Ray Gabelein says he is glad to see the Commissioners are looking after the Districts finances well.

There is no further business and meeting is adjourned at 8.30


Marion E. Hunter, secretary
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