

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #3
REGULAR MEETING
5535 Cameron Road, Freeland, Washington
March 10, 2011 – 5:30 P.M.
Minutes

In Attendance:

Chairman Mike Helland
Commissioner Bob Elliot
Commissioner Kenon Simmons
Chief Rusty Palmer

Audience: Paul Busch, Mike Cotton, Don Mason, James Berto, Jerry Beck, Eldon Baker

- I. Call to Order – Chair Mike Helland called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.
- II. Approval of Agenda – Chief Palmer requested to add new business to the agenda concerning an entry permit request for the Freeland Trails Project. Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the agenda including the new business.
- III. Public Input - None
- IV. So. Whidbey Volunteer FF & EMS - None
- V. Consent Agenda - All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of Island County Fire District #3's Board of Commissioners for reading and study. They are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Commissioners with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request.
 - a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Regular Meeting February 10, 2011
 - b. Finance Officer's Reports
 - c. Monthly Vouchers –
 - i. Payroll Warrants \$62,639.74
 - ii. Vendor Warrants \$87,171.67
 - d. Chief's Report

Commissioner Elliot moved to approve the Consent agenda as printed; motion carried.
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - a. Citizen Survey – Chief Palmer gave an update on the survey. The survey has ended; we currently have raw data that will be compiled into statistical format for the Commissioners to review. The surveys were sent out equally to the three communities; there was a 29% return rate with approximately 51% response from women and 41% from Freeland.
 - b. Department Name update – Chief Palmer gave an update to the current name survey. There were 31 responses including 51 name suggestions in which all but 2 included South Whidbey in the name. South Whidbey Fire and Rescue was suggested 17 times.
 - c. Port Authority MOU Draft, a draft MOU to address the relationship with the Port as part of the South Whidbey Marine Security & Resiliency Consortium. – On the agenda for review only at this meeting. Chief Palmer distributed a draft to the Commissioners for review. Commissioner Simmons requested the District

Attorney review the draft before final signatures, which was agreed by the board. Chief Palmer will have the attorney review and approximates the final draft will be ready for signatures on April 11th.

VII. New Business

- a. Special Meeting Approval – a meeting with all Island County Fire Commissioners, March 17th, at Station 53, Central Whidbey Fire & Rescue. Commissioner Simmons and Elliot plan to be in attendance, Chair Helland is unable to attend. The location has been changed to Central Whidbey Fire and Rescue, Station 51, in Coupeville.
- b. Freeland Trails Permit – Chief Palmer reviewed the information for the permit requested by the Island County Parks Department to enter District property at Cameron Road and Highway 525 for a two year period. Commissioners Simmons and Elliot will approve the permit during the special meeting on March 17th.

VIII. Announcements

- a. The Annual Awards Banquet, March 12th, Useless Bay Country Club, 17:30 Social Time, Dinner at 18:00.

IX. Varia – None

X. Executive Session – None

XI. Action taken as result of Executive Session – None

XII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 5:53pm.

Cindy Rehberg
District Secretary