

## ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.3

REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1987

The meeting was called to order by Gary Gabelein at 10:00 a.m. Also present were Byron Worland, Bruce Klassen and Hazel Dodsworth. Ken McClellan arrived shortly after the meeting began, just after Byron Worland had made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting of January 13, 1987, as written. The motion was seconded and carried.

### DISTRICT JACKETS

Following the board's decision in 1986 to give the firefighters additional reimbursement by paying approximately \$35 each for the purchase of coats, Chief Klassen informed the commissioners that some of the men at the Freeland Station had decided to buy their own jackets. They had, apparently, received little or no input from the other men when they had taken an informal poll. They now wanted to know if the district would contribute the \$35. The commissioners, while willing to approve the \$35 reimbursement, were not enthusiastic about the design, cost and large insignia sample submitted. They felt, in general, that there should be a standard coat for all volunteers. Gary Gabelein made the recommendation that the subject be brought up at the next officers' meeting. The officers could then check with their respective stations to see who was interested in acquiring the jackets. A "jacket committee" could subsequently be organized for the purpose of coming up with a standard version.

The Chief advised the commissioners that Cherrie in the County Auditor's office had suggested the fire district make out a voucher for the district's share, collect the remaining money from the volunteers, and send the entire thing to the County for payment. According to the Washington Fire Commissioners Association, several fire districts provide this kind of benefit to their members.

### FUEL BIDS

The Chief informed the board, as outlined in his Report, that suppliers bidding this year's contract for fuel were Corey Oil, Marlen Knutsen and Davis Industries. In view of the convenience of refueling 24 hours per day at Bayview, through Davis Industries' Union 76 station, and the fact that their diesel bid had the lowest sulphur content, Chief Klassen recommended going with them. The Chief also informed the board that The Union 76's price was only .005 to .01 cents higher than the rest. If gas should go down in price, Union 76 would have the option of lowering the price, or the fire district would be at liberty to buy elsewhere. Union 76 would not raise their price during the year. The Clinton Station vehicles could continue to be refueled at Simmons Garage.

CHAIRMAN ELECTION

Byron Worland made a motion to elect Ken McClellan chairman of Fire District No.3's board of commissioners for the next year. Gary Gabelein seconded the motion; motion carried.

HEGGENES WATER DAMAGE CLAIM

The Chief's Report briefed the commissioners on the Heggenes claim developments, pointing out that Pete Spiller had advised that so long as the fire-fighters operated the hydrant properly and the damage was limited to a line on the owner's property, the fire district could not be held liable. Pete Spiller suggested that if the Heggenes wished to pursue the matter further, after being notified by the fire district, they should contact the district's insurance carrier. In line with chief Klassen's recommendation, the board suggested that a letter be written the Heggenes explaining that we view the problem as no fault of the fire district's, and recommending that they consult an attorney, our insurance carrier, or the Clinton Water District's insurance carrier.

Byron Worland made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Ken McClellan seconded the motion; motion carried.

Byron Worland made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m. Ken McClellan seconded the motion; motion carried.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Deane Doelander". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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