

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #3

**SPECIAL MEETING
2874 E. Verlane Street
Langley, Washington**

December 13, 2000, 6:00 P.M.

Minutes

In Attendance:

Chairman Mike Helland
Commissioner Bill Benjamin
Commissioner Bob Elliot
Chief Don Smith

Audience:

AC Paul Busch	Sta. 31 - Capt. Churchill
DC-North Don Elliot	Sta. 31 - Lt. Furman
DC-South Les Hagstrom	Sta. 32 - FF C. Simmons
Capt. Mike Cotton	Sta. 33 - Lt. Peterson
EMS-Lt. Connie Shields	Sta. 34 - Lt. Mestemacher
Sp.Svs.Capt. Darin Reid	Sta. 35 - Capt. Towers
Rescue Lt. Eldon Baker	Sta. 36 - Capt. Grimm
FPO-Lt. Jerry Beck	Sta. 39 - Capt. O'Keefe

- I. Call to Order - Chairman Helland called the meeting to order at 6:08
- II. Approval of Agenda - Commissioner Elliot moved to approve the agenda as printed; motion carried.
- III. New Business
 - A. District Goals and Objectives - Chief Smith distributed the list of Current Programs (attached) that he and staff are working on presently.

The Chief presented a possible site for the new headquarters/Special Services Station and after discussion the group agreed that the location should be located within ¼ mile of Highway 525 between Thompson Road and Maxwellton Road.

Chairman Helland initiated a roundtable discussion of pressing issues from 2000.

Capt. Towers expressed his concern for the day to day operation due to a perceived shortage of staff and time.

Capt. Churchill stated that special training opportunities might encourage longevity in volunteer service time. The people resources are as necessary in the infrastructure as facilities, equipment and apparatus.

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Capt Reid suggested organizing the procedures for bringing new volunteers into the organization to assure a positive experience for the volunteer as well as equipping them effectively.

Chief Smith introduced the possibilities of part time janitorial positions within the District. This would relieve the maintenance staff to do skilled maintenance tasks.

Programs the group considered important for 2001:

- Enhanced Local Training Opportunities
- Entry Program To Organization
- Specialized Opportunities In Training
- Station Photographs
- Land For Central Facility
- Complete Saratoga Station
- Explore Station Sites
- Initiate Phase I Of Freeland
- Aggressive Recruitment
- District SOPS
- Public Survey (Committee - Towers, B. Elliot And
E. Baker
- Develop Sleeper Program
- Develop "300" Program/Training

IV. Varia - No Varia

V. Executive Session (if needed)- Chairman Helland call a recess for a five minute Executive Session to discuss the Chief's contract.

VI. Adjournment - Meeting Adjourned at 8:50.

Paula Schuler
District Secretary