

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO #3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS DECEMBER 1, 1966

Meeting called to order by the chairman Mr. Capp at 7.00 P.M. at the public meeting room of the Whidbey Telephone Company at Bayveiw.

Commissioners present: Lloyd S. Capp  
David C. Henny  
Joseph H. Long

Minutes of the last regular meeting on November 3 rd, and the special meeting of November 14 read and approved as read.

County treasurers report to the District shows a balance on hand of \$ 1504.60 with warrants in the amount of \$ 71.80 outstanding as of October 31.

Bills in the amount of \$ 715.31 are on hand, and Mr. Henny makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that they be allowed and vouchers for same be approved and signed. Carried unanimously. They are listed the reverse side this sheet.

Hunter is asked about the progress toward getting the 5 HP siren at Freeland operational. He reports that the siren ~~is on~~ stand is on the tower and he is wasiting on Mr. Bucklew to put the siren on the tower with his arial bucket.

Mr. Capp urges the Chief to get going on the project right away and if necessary to hire someone to do the job, feeling that the people at Freeland may be getting impatient. Hunter says he will pressure Mr. Bucklew to get it done soon. Also to pressure Mr. Bud Rosemeyer to get the wiring to the siren done.

The general obligation bonds for \$ 125,000.00 aprved at the primary election have been received and are on hand for the signatures of the chairman and the secretary, which they now proceed to do. The next step is to deliver them to the County Tréasurer who will register them and make arrangements to deliver them to Mr. Terry Thompson the buyer, in exchange for his certified check.

Hunter asks the commissioners if they had inspected the lot at Clinton which the District proposes to purchase from Mr. Bill Peterson. Mr. Cppp and Mr. Long say they have and feel it is OK.

Hunter suggests that the lot be surveyed to establish the corners, and the Commissioners agree after the purchase is complete.

The Chief also requests the go ahead toward acquiring a standby power plant to place in the new base station house for use in case of failure of the regular commercial power. He has on hand a price sheet from the Zeus company on thair 3000 watt plant showing a price of \$ 610.00 for the plant and \$ 134.50 for the automatic transfer control. He says this as far as he has gone in the matter, but feels this is a very necessary item as the alerting receivers which have been ordered have bateries in them to keep them operational if power should fail and the base station should be operational also under these conditions, thus being able to alert firemen in case of alarm. Hunter is instructed to go ahead with more inquireies into costs.

The matter of supplemental accident insurance for the volunteer fireman and also to cover any outsider should they be hurt in helping the fire department at a fire or other activities, is brought up and Hunter says that Mr. Rein Kehle said he would attend this meeting, but as yet he has not arrived.

Mr. Kehle now arrives. He was not able to come on and earlier ferry. This type insurance is now discussed, and it is agreed that it is desirable. Mr. Kehle says the insurance he is able to offer is through the Washington State Fire Commissioners Association, and will pay up to \$ 1000 for medical expense, and \$ 50000 per week disability, also \$ 6000.00 death benefit. This insurance would cover the volunteer firemen, also any person who is pressed into service for assistance by the department at a fire or other operation of the fire department. The individuals do not have to be named in the policy as it is a blanket policy, and cost is according to how many trucks in use by the District.

Based on eight trucks in use by the District the annual premium would be \$ 294.00 with an additional cost of 25 % of this for the emergency coverage, for a total of \$ 292.62 per year in addition to the regular premium for the liability coverage.

After further explanations and discussion it was moved by Mr. Henny and seconded by Mr. Long to place this additional coverage, concurred in by Mr. Capp, carried unanimously.

Hunter request the Commissioners to travel to Snohomish County Fire Dist. No 11 station near highway 99 for an inspection of this station, as he feels it may be a desirable design to follow for the new district 3 stations. The Commissioners agree and instruct Hunter to set a date. Hunter says probably after the holidays in early January.

The Chief says he feels it not too soon to start thinking about a new truck specs. Mr. Capp feels the same way and Hunter is instructed to start on this as soon as he can.

Hunter also says he would like to go ahead on ordering the turnout clothes needed for the volunteer firemen. He is instructed to go ahead with this.

The matter of investing some of the bond money in short term securities is discussed earlier in the meeting and Hunter agrees to estimate the needs of the immediate future and advise the Commissioners so that action can be taken. The investing would have to be handled by the Commissioners passing a resolution instructing the County Treasurer to invest the funds.

There is no more business and Mr. Kehle is thanked for attending, and the meeting is adjourned at 8.55

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