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ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, FEBRUARY 5, 1976

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hunter, the Chairman, in the meeting room in the Clinton fire station at 7:00 P. M.

Commissioners present:	Marion E. Hunter	Chief Erikson	present
	Joseph H. Long	Assist, Chief Berkeland	"
	Kenneth McClellan	Wm. G. Graff, Architect	"

Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. McClellan to dispense with reading of the minutes of last regular meeting of January 1, 1976, carried unanimously. Minutes stand approved as written.

Current bills in the amount of \$23,368.48 are on hand and after examination Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. McClellan that they be allowed and vouchers approved and signed, carried unanimously. They are listed on reverse side of this sheet.

Mr. Graff, architect, now presents preliminary plans for the new station at Bayview, which is the third set to be considered by the Commissioners and Chief.

He is questioned re type of roof. It is to be three ply built up by hot mop down. Support joists to be two foot centers. The pitch is 1 1/4 to 12.

After discussion the plans are accepted with one minor modification and Mr. Graff agrees to provide for approval a fourth set of preliminary plans incorporating the change at a meeting on February 19th at 10:30 A. M. at the Clinton station.

The Chief now brings up the matter of the addition to the Saratoga station. Mr. Graff is asked to look at the station and perhaps draw up some workable plans for the addition which will be accepted by the County Building Department. This is agreed to and he is to arrange a date.

The Chairman reports that Verlane Gabelein has suggested to him that he would like to trade 5 feet of ground on the north side of the proposed new lot at Bayview for 5 feet on the east side of lot adjoining his property.

The Chairman also reports that Mr. Gabelein has surveyed and staked the corners of new lot. He also said the Mr. Gabelein told him he would be at this meeting.

There is discussion regarding this 5 foot trade but no decision at this time.

Mr. Hunter tries to call Mr. Gabelein re his attendance but gets no answer on phone.

The Secretary now reads a letter received from the Public Employees Retirement System in regard to the Fire District entering into the system, enrolling the Chief, Assistant Chief and Dispatcher. The letter sets forth the approximate cost to the District and each employee. A copy of this letter is attached to and becomes a part of these minutes.

There is discussion on this matter. The Chairman says it is legal for the District to pay past due employee contributions, which would all have to be paid at time of entrance into the system, as well as current payments to be paid monthly. The

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District share of arrears can be paid over a period of 15 years, which would add approximately \$31.25 per month to current payments.

He also feels that if the District can handle the finances for the employee arrears, it should be considered in lieu of a salary increase for the employees at least for this year and perhaps for next year as the amount would be approximately 22% or 11% per year increase.

The Chief now asks in regard to picking up of arrears payments to the Volunteer Firemen Relief and Pension Fund for District firemen. The Chairman explains this can be done if finances permit and would have to cover the years of 1953, 1954 and 1955 wherein the District did not pay into the fund, at \$3.00 per fireman of those years plus accrued interest at 2% until paid.

No cost figures are available at this time, but Mr. Hunter and the Secretary are researching this to arrive at costs and will have these figures available at a future time. The purpose of picking up these arrears is to give a number of firemen some additional service time to count toward retirement.

Mr. Gabelein now arrives at 10:05 P. M. and attention is turned to the trade of lots at Bayview by the District with Mr. Gabelein. Reason for this trade is that the lot to be acquired by the District is approximately 150 feet west of present lot, and Mr. Gabelein will build a road straight north from the site to the Howard road, thereby giving the fire trucks access to Bayview road south of Pioneer Corner, Sunlight Beach, Sills and Ewing roads, also to Maxwellton area without having to go out on State Highway 525. Also the useable lot area will be approximately 3,375 square feet larger than the present lot.

Mr. Gabelein agrees that he will build road out to the Howard road in time for use by the District. He also agrees to grade, (or contour) his lot next east of new District lot down to the property line so the District will not lose additional space from parking area because of having to grade some additional ground on a 45 degree angle. There is some further discussion of details.

Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. McClellan that the District exchange our present lot with Mr. Gabelein for a lot size 142 feet east and west by 145 feet north and south with a 5 foot utilities easement on the north side next to concrete road according to prior discussion, carried unanimously.

Business is now concluded and meeting is adjourned at 11:15 P. M.

Ella E. Hunter

Ella E. Hunter, Secretary
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