

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #3
REGULAR MEETING
5535 Cameron Road, Freeland, Washington
January 14, 2010 – 5:30 P.M.
MINUTES

In Attendance:

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

Audience: Jon Beck, Jimmy Berto, Mike Cotton, Gary Gabelein, and Don Mason

- I. Call to Order – Chairman Simmons called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. With the consent of the Board, Items II and III were taken in reverse order.
- II. (III) Approval of Agenda - Commissioner Helland moved to approve the revised Agenda; motion carried.
- III. (II) Welcome Chief Rusty Palmer – Chairman Simmons, on behalf of the Board and Staff, welcomed Chief Rusty Palmer to the Island and the Fire District. The executive side and the operations side are both excited in having you aboard.
- IV. Annual Organizational Meeting
 - A. Election of Chair – Commissioner Elliot moved to continue status quo on the board positions, nominating Kenon Simmons as Chair, Mike Helland as Vice-Chair, and Bob Elliot as ICOM and BVFF Representative; motion carried.
 - B. Election of Vice-Chair
 - C. Board of Volunteer Fire Fighters Representative –
- V. Public Input – Gary Gabelein asked about the pending sign for the Bayview Property. Chief Palmer will be meeting with the architects next week and will be working on the sign.
- VI. So. Whidbey Volunteer FF & EMS – FF Berto welcomed Chief Palmer. The Association reported the Holiday Party a great success and Lil Tucker was guest of honor. Election of Officers will be taking place next month.
- VII. 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
 1. Regular Meeting December 10, 2009
 2. January 5, 2010 Special Meeting
 3. January 11, 2010 Special Meeting
 - B. Finance Officer's Reports
 - C. Monthly Vouchers –
 1. December 2009 Payroll Warrants - \$55,464.07
 2. Warrants #647330-647410 - \$145,244.61

D. Chiefs Report

Commissioner Elliot moved to approve the Consent Agenda as printed; motion carried.

VIII. Unfinished Business

- A. Bayview Property/Central Facility – Cary Peterson from Good Cheer has requested access to the Good Cheer Garden from the Bayview Property to use only when unloading compost, etc for their food bank garden. The Board agreed with the temporary access until construction begins and then may need to reconsider.

Chief Palmer will be meeting with Carletti Architects January 21st.

IX. New Business

- A. Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) - The District's Administrator for the program will be moved to Administrative Assistant/Volunteers job description.

X. Announcements –

- o Commissioner Elliot informed the Board the current construction project at ICOM is experiencing a \$100K deficit and a special all Island Commissioners meeting is being called to discuss how this will be addressed.
- o A/C Busch and D/C Cotton will be in General Fire's plant in Sioux Falls January 27th and 28th to inspect the new fire apparatus being built. GF has reported they are about a month ahead of schedule.

XI. Varia –

- o Thompson Road will be added to the Agenda in February.
- o Reminder – The Board's Annual Strategic Meeting is scheduled for 9:00 am January 30th at the Saratoga Inn.
- o 2 Recruitment Pancake Breakfast Open Houses are scheduled:
 - Station 33/ Maxwelton Station - January 23rd
 - Station 35/ Saratoga Station – February 20th
- o D/C Beck informed the Board that the current Fire Prevention/Addressing Grant has over 10,640 address markers on order now.

XII. Executive Session – No Executive Session called.

XIII. Action taken as result of Executive Session – Nil

XIV. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.

Paula Schuler
District Secretary