

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS JANUARY 5, 1967

Meeting called to order by Mr. Capp the chairman at 7.45 P.M. at the meeting room of the Whidbey Telephone Company at Bayveiw.

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

Minutes of the last meeting on December 1 read and approved as read.

Mr. Gerald Brown is present at the invitation of the Commissioners, to discuss the purchase of a lot Mr. Brown owns, adjacent to the Freeland fire station on the north side.

Mr. Capp now explains that the District feels it should buy this lot in case of need for future expansion of the fire station. Mr. Brown is asked what he is asking for the lot which 77 x 115 feet in size. He states the price he is asking is \$ 4250.00. After some discussion he is asked if he would accept \$ 4000.00 plus the closing costs, which will amount to possibly between \$ 75.00 and \$ 100.00. The answer is affirmative, that he would. During the discussion Mr. Long states that he would prefer to see the building projects presently being contemplated by the District, ie. new stations at Clinton and Maxwellton being assured of completion before spending money for a possible future use, such as this purchase. After more discussion it is felt that a delay may result in a considerably higher cost for this property, which is already \$ 1500.00 higher than if it had been purchased four ~~ago~~ when the District purchased the lot wher the station now stands.

Mr. Long now makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the lot be purchased at the price of \$ 4000.00 plus closing costs of approximately \$ 75.00 plus. Concurred in by Mr. Henny.

Mr. Brown is now thanked for attending and being very cooperative.

Bills in the amount of \$ 39,434.33 including the balances due on the 1962 Ford fire truck at Freeland, and the 1964 Ford fire truck at Clinton, are examined and vouchers for same approved and signed. These amounts to the various firms and individuals are listed on the reverse side this sheet.

Letters from Mr. Lang County Treasurer, Mr. James the G.O. bond attorney are read. They relate to the bonds, to the effect that the bonds have delivered to Mr. Terry Thompson & Company, the bond purchases and the money is deposited in the expense fund of the District. Mr. Gay also states that the bond legal work in now completed, and thanks the Commissioners .

Mr. Capp now states that he feels that a new chairman for the Commissioners be elected and suggests Mr. Henny to act in this capacity. Mr. Henny demurs, but Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that this be done. Mr Henny abstains, carried.

Investment of some of the G.O. bond funds which will not be spent immediately is discussed, and resolution # 44 is adopted, instructing the Island County Treasurer to invest \$ 65,000.00 in 90,day securities.

Hunter is asked regarding Duane Finch, injured in the fall of radio tower. He reports that he had been to see Finch on Monday and he was progressing very well, able to be around on crutches.

The District has received a claim for damages from Finch in the sum of \$350,000.00

Hunter reported he had contacted Mr. Kehle the District insurance agent, who advised him that the claim had been forwarded to the insurance company.

Hunter reported he had contacted the Freemont Electric Company in regard to an emergency power plant for steady power for the radio base station. They will supply an Onan brand power plant of 2½ KW capacity including automatic transfer panel, propane fueled, State sales tax, and freight of approximate \$ 15.00 for approximately \$ 563.09 delivered Clinton. Delivery in about 45 to 60 days.

This price is nearly \$ 70.00 less than a price Hunter had received earlier of \$ 610.00 for a 3 KW plant alone plus sales tax.

Motion is made seconded and carried that Hunter place and order for the Onan plant.

Hunter now requests a salary increase of \$ 125.00 per month for himself, and a salary of \$ 125.00 per month for Mrs. Baty for acting as radio and fire alarm dispatcher. There is discussion regarding this, but no action taken and it is agreed to hold it under consideration until the February meeting.

There is no further business and meeting is adjourned at 9.45.

*Marion E. Hunter*  
Marion E. Hunter, Secretary  
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