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ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS, DECEMBER 2, 1976

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hunter, the Chairman, in the meeting room in the Clinton fire station at 7:04 P. M.

Commissioners present:	Marion E. Hunter	Chief Erikson	present
	Joseph H. Long	Assist. Chf. Berkeland	"
	Kenneth G. McClellan	Batt. Chf. Gabelein	"

Minutes of last meeting of November 4, 1976 read by Secretary and approved as read.

Current bills in the amount of \$9,282.94 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.

The air chisel authorized at the November 4 meeting has been received and at this time is demonstrated by the Assistant Chief. Also in connection with this the Chief informs the Commissioners that he has notified the State Patrol that we now have this piece of rescue equipment.

The Chairman now asks the Chief how the new mobile radios are working out. He says they are excellent. He has installed the four new 110 W. radios in the Freeland, Clinton and Saratoga trucks and the Chiefs car. The two 70 W. radios formerly in the Freeland truck and Chiefs car were installed in the Maxwellton and Bayview trucks.

The Chief says he received a call from the County Commissioners in regard to the appointment of a fire services representative on the disability board. At present Jim Ronhaar, Oak Harbor Fire Chief, is in this position. After some discussion Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. McClellan that we recommend Chief Ronhaar be appointed as fire services representative on the disability board, carried unanimously. The Secretary is instructed to write to Commissioner Andersen to inform the County Commissioners of this recommendation.

The Chief states the need for a set of traction tires for the Chiefs car and he is authorized to purchase these.

The Chief now brings up the matter of the appointment of a Fire Marshall for Island County. Also in connection with this Commissioner Chairman Buehn, of Fire District 2 has contacted Chairman Hunter so he now makes a call to Fire District 2 Secretary, Mrs. Buehn, advising her of the latest information that our Chief has received as to the method to be used in appointing this man, namely instructing the County Building Department Director to appoint a man.

The Chief makes the observation that this looks like a back door approach for the Building Department to get another building inspector, not necessarily qualified as a Fire Marshall.

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Mrs. Buehn advises that they will set up a meeting of the interested fire departments as soon as possible to discuss this situation, and also to discuss the adopting of a fire code for Island County.

The Chief now asks the Commissioners their feeling on the abandonment of the present housing for the Bayview truck in the County shed. The feeling is we should salvage as much of the material as possible.

The Chairman now reports that Ralph Leidholm feels he will be able to get the gravel on the lot at Bayview next week.

There is considerable discussion relative to the covering of the floors at the Bayview station. It is generally agreed that tile is desirable and this will be looked into.

The Chief feels there should be one ten foot high door at the Saratoga station. The Chairman reports there is an extra section that would make a ten foot high door on hand. He says that if there are opening springs available that will handle this weight door we could use this.

Mr. McClellan feels we should have an open house at both Saratoga and Bayview stations as soon as they are ready to give the public an opportunity to see what their tax money is paying for. When we are ready for this the Secretary should have a notice placed in the paper advising the public of the time and place.

Battalion Chief Gabelein says he believes we will be able to fill the Bayview truck tank at the cement plant next door to the fire station.

Business is now concluded and meeting is adjourned at 9:15 P. M.

Ella E. Hunter, Secretary  
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