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ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

Regular meeting of the Commissioners May 4, 1961

Meeting called to order at 8.10 PM at the Whidbey Telephone Company office at Bayview.

Commissioners present: James T. Malone  
Lloyd B. Capp  
David C. Henny

Visitors present, were Larry Alden of the Andy Johnson Company. Carl Eisen Chief of Snohomish County Fire Protection District No 1, and John (Bud) Baty Lieutenant of the Maxwellton Fire Dept.

Minutes of the last meeting on April 6, 1961 were read and approved as read.

The County Treasurers report for the month of March is on hand and shows a balance of \$ 2783.02 with warrants in the amount of \$ 47.83 outstanding as of March 31.

Chief Hunter reported that He had talked again with Henry Hilberdink County Fire Warden in regard to the District writing burning permits on cleared land. Hilberdink again stated that he thought that it was a good idea and said he would tell either Roger Jensen, or Roy Benham who are his superiors to stop in talk to Hunter when they are in the district soon, in regard to the problem. To date Hunter reported that neither men had contacted him. Hilberdink had left several copies of agreements with Hunter for the Districts consideration.

Mr. Capp reported that the Freeland station had been painted by the community there by donated labor and materials, and that the building needed new sign lettering, and Ran Crawford would do it for \$ 12.00 Hunter also stated that the Clinton needed new sign also, and that Crawford would do it station for \$ 20.00

Mr. Capp made motion to authorize Crawford to go ahead with both signs. Seconded by Henny, carried.

Chief Hunter reported that A Mr. Swanson from Seattle representing Mr. Evans of the new Thriftway store in Freeland in regard to his fire insurance on his building had contacted him this day in regard to what the District could do in regard to the lowering of insurance rates on the new building.

Hunter stated to Mr. Swanson that the placing of a rated truck at Freeland station was about all the District could do but that the community there would have to furnish a water supply to meet the requirements.

Hunter reported that we all should watch the developments in regard to the library problem which, if it was eventually voted into existence would in all probability take away two mills of tax money from the district, and would really cripple the district.

Current bills were considered and vouchers for same approved and signed.

This being the last regular business of the meeting, this portion was adjourned at 9.20

Larry Alden is on hand by request of the Commissioners, from the last meeting.

He is to report on the method of acquiring fire trucks by lease agreements.

He gave a short resume on the start of this method of acquiring cars, trucks, etc, stating that busses were the first type of vehicles to be used on a lease basis, then city police cars and others including school districts.

In regard to fire districts and the method of paying for the trucks, it is sometimes worked out on a basis of small yearly payment at the end of the first year after acceptance of the equipment, then perhaps double the amount the end of the second year, then larger payments after that, up to a time limit of six years total.

Another point covered by ALDEN was that the district was the only party to the agreement ~~the~~ who could cancel the agreement because the district was listed on the title as registered owner and it could only be released by the signing of the title as release by the chairman of the board of fire commissioners, which would safeguard the district in the matter. This seems quite satisfactory.

Alden also stated that the price of the trucks is the same whether they are on a lease basis or sold outright on a sealed bid basis.

He also stated that they would be glad to give a detailed statement of the cost of each item of truck and equipment, and also their profit margin on the transaction.

Following this time of explanation Alden showed a number of colored slides of fire trucks which the Western States Fire Apparatus Co which the Andy Johnson Company represent, have built and delivered throughout Oregon and Washington. These slides showed many of the construction features of the trucks built by this company.

Alden also showed at the conclusion of the truck slides a few slides he had taken of outboard motor boat races on Sammish Slough.

ALL OF TH SLIDES were very interesting, and after thanking Mr. Alden this portion of the meeting was adjourned at 10.30



M.E. Hunter  
Secretary