

Chief Erikson and Langley Fire Chief Duane Carnes spent 2 hours in the Sandy Point area instructing the residents in the area on procedure in case of a fire. The Chief states the Ron Porter fire made quite an impression on the residents in this area.

Mr. Hunter reports that he checked with the State Office and our firemen are covered through the volunteer insurance on a call into Langley even without a mutual aid agreement. He still feels the need for a mutual aid agreement with the town of Langley. The Chief was instructed to have a copy of the present agreement made and to get it signed by them.

The Chairman suggests the need of a water vacuum for the removal of water at house fires. An excessive amount of water on the hardwood floor at the Porter residence being swept out by the firemen pointed up this need. The Commissioners instructed the Chief to check into the cost of this item.

The Chairman and Chief inspected the roof at the Clinton station. Mr. Hunter explains that the problems are mostly at the skylights. He suggests the need to peel off the fiberglass and raise up the skylight to 12 inches with some slope in order to give drainage, also to enlarge the fiberglass on the skylights. He states this could be done without reroofing the building. He says the rest of the roof could be taken care of with cold application roof coating. The Chief is instructed to take care of repairing the skylights and check on the cost of the cold application roof coating needed to cover the roof.

The Chief reports on the gasoline tanker upset north of Freeland just north of District three's boundary in District five last week. This involved the fire departments of both Districts. He reports some of our men spent many hours time beyond that ordinarily spent on the average house or building fire, and feels they should be reimbursed more than for one alarm call, for which the pay is three dollars. Suggests perhaps \$1.00 an hour. Average time on building fire alarms is on the order of 1½ hours. After discussion it is agreed it would be only fair to pay extra for this type of thing. Mr. Hunter suggests the Chief figure the time for each man, and on the basis of the above give an extra alarm time based on 1½ hours, keeping this record separate from the regular alarm record, so when the time comes this fall to pay, it is on the basis of alarms figure. This is discussed and felt to be fair and the Chief is instructed to carry this out.

The Chief now says he feels the District should have another foam dispenser, and perhaps later, one on each truck. He has a new one on hand for inspection, which is now inspected by all present. Price reported is \$199.00. There is discussion and Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that the Chief be authorized to purchase one unit using a flexible figure of \$250.00.

The Chief also reports that on next Monday at 7:00 P.M. there will be a factory representative present at the County garage at Bayview to supervise a drill demonstration fire in an old car, explaining their foam, etc, and answering questions. Simmons Garage to furnish the car. Commissioners are invited to attend.

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Under further old business Chief Erikson requests that Marvyn Berkeland be appointed as District Assistant Chief, also suggesting an increase in salary of \$50.00 per month. After some discussion Mr. Long makes motion seconded by Mr. Capp that Mr. Berkeland be appointed to this position with the increase of \$50.00 per month salary, carried unanimously.

The Chief now requests permission to attend the Fire Chiefs Conference in Olympia on the 23rd, 24th & 25th of September. Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Long that the Chief be permitted to attend, carried unanimously.

The Chief reads a letter from the Office of Safety & Health Administration relative to a meeting to be held by that agency at the Alpine restaurant in Everett, August 12th through 15th. The Commissioners suggest the Chief attend to learn, if possible where the Fire District fits into the picture.

Visitors are now asked for comments. Mr. Berkeland says he feels things are moving along quite well. Mr. Gabelein comments "see you at the fair!"

The business is now concluded and meeting is adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

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