

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No 3

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS 4 January 1973

Meeting called to order by the chairman Mr. Henny at 7.00 P.M. in the meeting room of the Clinton fire station.

Commissioners present: David C. Henny
Lloyd S. Capp

Chief Erikson also present.

Inasmuch as a copy of the minutes of the last meeting on December 7th had been delivered to each Commissioner and the Chief and there are no visitors present, Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Henny that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with as there are no corrections or additions, carried.

Current bills from the firms and individuals listed on the reverse side this sheet are on hand and examined, and as they are legitimate and in order Mr. Capp makes motion seconded by Mr. Henny that they be allowed and vouchers approved and signed, carried. Amount of the bills are: \$ 2859.08

County Treasurers report for November is on hand and shows taxes collected in the amount of \$5758.28 for the expense fund for a balance of \$ 13,346.93 with warrants in the amount of \$252.05 outstanding. There is \$ 12,000.00 of expense fund monies invested in treasury notes in addition to the above balance. Taxes in the amount of \$2640.25 were collected during the month for the G.O. bond fund. Bonds in the amount of \$5,000 and interest in the amount of \$125.00 were paid leaving a balance of \$ 8957.91

Under old business Erikson reports he has talked to Mr. Raymond Gabelein, and he will sell a lot to the District for \$2000 for the location of a fire station. Location of the lot is approximately one quarter mile south of the Bayveiw cemetary and 135' x 135' in size. The above offer is only oral and not a firm commitment on paper. Mr. Gabelein also owns property across from Pioneer corner on this same road, but is not interested in selling any of this at the present time. There is further discussion relative to lots near there. Mr. Henny says if the lot he owns near the highway just north of the County garage is considered, he will disqualify himself to discuss it or enter into making of any decisions relative to it.

Under new business the question of a new truck is brought up. There will be a need for one in the not too distant future. The Chief is asked what size truck and pump he would reccomend. He says it should be a 1000 gallon per minute pump, and prefers a 1000 gallon water tank. Hunter is asked what he feels is right for a truck. He feels it should be a 1000 GPM pump midship mounted. He explains that anything above a 750 GPM pump requires more piping than the 750 and creates a large problem in this area for a front mount pump in routing the piping past fenders, axles, engines and transmission, etc in the sizes required to carry the amounts of water for a 1000 GPM pump.

The Chief is instructed to look further into the matter working with Hunter in shaping up specifications, etc.

Chief Erikson reports on his attendance at the December meeting of the Snohomish and Island County Fire Commissioner Association.

He says he talked with Will Spencer Chief of Snohomish County Fire District No 1 relative to setting up a card record file for addresses in the District for use by the

fire alarm dispatcher, with all pertinent information contained on the card for each address. Chief Spencer invited him to come over and visit their stations and the record file they use for dispatching.

Erikson also reported on other aspects of the meeting. It had to do mostly with Snohomish Countys hydrant code and the problems encountered, Bill fenter Snohomish Countys Fire Marshall furnishing the information. Fenter also advised that when working toward the passing of an Island County Fire Code by the County Commissioners, not to at that time try to include a hydrant code as he felt there would be to many problems encountered. So go for only one at a time.

There is now some discussion relative to the new County rural house numbering system, and some of the problems connected with it. The program seems to be behind schedule, as it was supposed to be operational by the first of the year, and is not complete now.

Hunter suggest that the County Commissioners have had a lot of problems in the past 10 years what with building codes, zoning codes, subdivisions, health codes, etc so feels with some more time the County will finally get things done and working.

Erikson reports that he along with Del Colvin and others met with newly elected County Commissioners and they say they are for all codes etc necessary to control the various problems, which would include a County fire prevention code.

There is some discussion now relative to fire insurance rates in our District, and Hunter reportd he feels that in the forseable future the Distric could not hope to go lower than our present rating of eight, except if anew station with a rated truck, for a driving distance of 2 miles of the station home owners would receive a lower insurance rate, but this would not change the Districts class 8. It requires water systems to get lower rates.

Erikson reports he talked with Duane Carnes the Langley Town Councilman who is in charge of fire protection in the town, and Carnes says the Town is trying for a lower classification for fire protection and would hate to see the Fire District take the Districts truck from town. They have recently purchased another older used fire truck and there is hardly room in their station for the District truck.

There is some further discussion but nothing important and the meeting is concluded and adjourned at 8.00


Marion E. Hunter, secretary

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