

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.3.

REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 1988

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ken McClellan at 7:00 p.m. Also in attendance were Gary Gabelein, Bruce Klassen and Hazel Dodsworth. Byron Worland was out of town and unable to attend.

VISITORS

Bob McGinty.

MINUTES

Gary Gabelein made a motion to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting of December 8, 1987 as written. Ken McClellan seconded the motion; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 87.04 - DESIGNATING FIRE DISTRICT NO.3 as HAZ.MAT. INCIDENT COMMAND AGENCY

The Chief had outlined in his Report to the Commissioners that there appeared to be differences of opinion in regard to the advisability of fire districts assuming the function of local "command agency". Island County Prosecuting Attorney David Jameson had cited several conflicts exposed by the new laws and had recommended further study and coordination within the county before making any decisions. In view of the foregoing and based on information obtained at today's Haz.Mat. seminar, Gary Gabelein made a motion to rescind Resolution No.87.04 for the time being - until further study has been made in regard to authority, training, liability and legislation relating to Haz.Mat. incidents. Kenneth McClellan seconded the motion; motion carried.

DNR BILLING

The Chief's Report indicated that an invoice had been sent the DNR in the amount of \$4,155 just to cover costs in responding to 5 DNR fires in 1987. Though the billing had been based on the DNR's own fee schedule, DNR Supervisor John Osborn had stopped by the district office to question the invoice. In view of this information, Commissioner Gabelein suggested that if the DNR had any reluctance about paying this bill, they should send a representative down to attend the fire district's February meeting.

WEEKLY NEWSPAPER COLUMN

The Commissioners agreed with the proposal by Captain Bob Connor that the fire district place a weekly column in the local newspaper reporting fire and aid calls, and containing fire safety and information articles written by various district members. The Chief was cautioned, however, to be sure that the column be printed exactly as edited and submitted by the Chief.

10 YEAR SERVICE PLAQUE

On behalf of the citizens of the fire district, the firefighters and Board of Commissioners, Chairman McClellan presented Commissioner Gary Gabelein with a plaque commemorating his 10 years of service to the district.

MISCELLANEOUS

Gary Gabelein asked if the Chief would look into medical/physical requirements for firemen - new and old - and bring the information to the next Board meeting for action. This to include policy ideas, physical requirements of other districts, samples, etc.

Gary Gabelein asked that the district purchase a portable PA System.

BILLS

Chairman McClellan made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Gary Gabelein seconded the motion; motion carried.

MARK CHURCHILL - PRESIDENT, VOLUNTEER FIREMENS ASSOCIATION

Mark Churchill made a short speech informing the Board that the Association had been formed and that they meet the first Thursday of each month. He added that they also have an Auxilliary. Mark Churchill stated that the Association has some definite goals for fund-raising, etc., and hopefully will try to supply some of the needs of the fire district. Mark promised to supply a copy of the ByLaws, etc.

Ken McClellan said that he was behind the Association 100%. However, he did wish to caution that if members approached anyone for contributions they make quite certain that it be on behalf of the Association, and not on behalf of the fire district. Mark assured him they were operating within those guidelines.

Commissioner Gabelein made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Kenneth McClellan seconded the motion; motion carried.

