



Pierce County Fire District 13

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Fire District 13 Formation

In November of 1950, a petition (to form a Fire District) was signed by at least 15% of the registered electors (voters) in Browns Point and Dash Point and was presented to the Pierce County Board of County Commissioners. This petition became Resolution #3814, dated 11/13/1950.

On December 11th of 1950, the Board of County Commissioners voted in favor of the petition. The decision established that the fire district shall be known as “Pierce County Fire Protection District No.13”. It was also decided to hold a special election for voters to either approve or reject the fire district formation.

The special election was scheduled for January 27th, 1951. The voting hours were 8am until 8pm and the polling location was the Browns Point Club House.

The ballot also included the names of the first Fire Commissioners. They were:

Wm. Larson

Leonard Greene

Sophus E. Petersen

The voters approved formation of the Fire District and the Fire Commissioners and thus Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 13 was formed.

The following excerpts were taken from Resolutions 3842 and 3814 describing the proceedings relating to the district formation.

FILE NO. 1039

RESOLUTION NO. 3842

Findings and Call for Special
Election, Formation of Pierce
County Fire Protection District
No. 13

WHEREAS, heretofore a petition was filed with the Pierce County Auditor requesting the formation of a fire protection district pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 34 of the Laws of 1939, the boundaries of which and the territory embraced therein begin described as follows, towit:

Starting at the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 16, Township 21 North, Range 3 East; thence westerly to the meander line of Puget Sound; thence Southerly, Southwesterly and Southeasterly to a point of intersection of said meander line and the city limits of Tacoma; thence Northerly on the boundary line of the City of Tacoma to point of beginning; all in Pierce County, Washington.

WHEREAS, on the 3rd day of November, 1950 said petition was presented to the Pierce County Board of County Commissioners together with certificate from the Pierce County Auditor certifying that the said petition was signed by not less than fifteen percent (15%) of the qualified, registered electors resident within the boundaries of such proposed district; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 3814 of the Board of County Commissioners of Pierce County, Washington, dated November 13th, 1950, the 11th day of December, 1950, at the hour of ten o'clock A.M. was fixed as the date of hearing on said petition and notice of hearing was ordered given as required by said act; and

aries of said proposed fire protection district, and shall be known and designated as PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 13; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a special election be held within the said proposed fire protection district on Saturday, the 27th day of January, A.D. 1951, between the hours of eight o'clock A.M. and eight o'clock P.M. for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors within the district for their approval or rejection the proposition of creating said fire protection district;

That in submitting said proposition to the voters for their approval or rejection, said proposition shall be expressed on the ballot substantially as follows:

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 13 YES ... ()
PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 13 NO ... ()

ers, and the following resident electors of said district are hereby named as candidates for election as the first fire commissioners of said district, whose names shall appear on the ballot, towit:

Wm. Larson

Leonard Greene

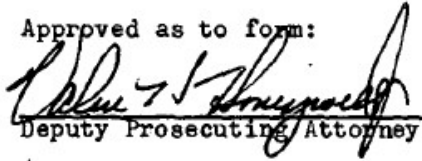
Sophus E. Petersen; and


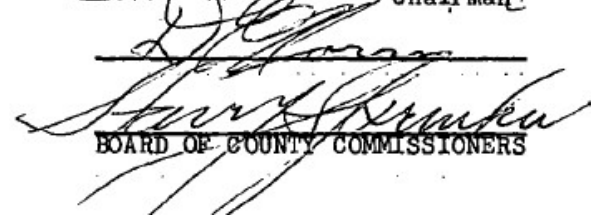
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for the purpose of said election, the county voting precincts in the said Fire Protection District No. 13 (Hyada Park Precinct and a portion of Dash Point Precinct) be combined, divided, or redefined in accordance with the plan hereinafter set forth, towit:

IT IS ORDERED that the Pierce County Election Board be and hereby is requested to arrange the necessary details for the holding of said special election.

Dated, this 11th day of December, 1950.

Approved as to form:


Deputy Prosecuting Attorney


Chairman

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS