Port Ludlow's Newest Fire Commissioner

by Maureen Poole

After only eighteen months in our Village, Bill Hansen has agreed to serve as the fifth Commissioner in Jefferson County Fire District 3. Bill and his wife Phyllis have attended Village meetings, joined clubs, volunteered, and thoroughly immersed themselves in their new home.

Bill's interest in the study of parliamentary procedures has earned him recognition in many sectors. This reputation, and the experience he gained while serving fifteen years as a Commissioner in Battle Ground, Clark County District 11 (a suburb of Vancouver, WA), made him a prime candidate for Fire Commissioner. Clark County District 11 is a rural fire district with many of the same concerns and issues as Port Ludlow. During Bill's terms, the issues of consolidation and merger with nearby districts were studied. Consolidations to save costs and obtain better use of personnel took place during his tenure. Bill has experience in melding districts with great differences and in establishing programs to promote and attract volunteers—accomplishments that will be valuable in Port Ludlow.

When Commission Chair Howard Morse asked Bill to consider the open position of Fire Commissioner, Bill drew on his belief in public service and accepted. This is a strong tradition in the Hansen family, starting with his mother who was a long-standing volunteer in Oregon.

In addition to Bill's ongoing consulting (grant writing and evaluation of state and federal programs), and his background of school administration, parliamentarian, and musician make him a well-rounded, accomplished

Port Ludlow Artists League

The Port Ludlow Artists League's regular meeting on Wednesday, August 20 will not have a scheduled speaker. We will be discussing the details of our Friday, August 22, Art Walk. All exhibiting artists are urged to attend. Our next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, September 17.

All residents and guests are invited to visit our second Art Walk! (See related story on page 8.)

Drainage District Update

Over the last few months the Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD) Commissioners have been re-evaluating the assessment methodology adopted for the Port Ludlow Drainage District by the Board of the County Commissioners in August of 2001. Recent completion of the Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan provided the Commissioners with documented proof that some previously made assumptions were incorrect, therefore making a case for an assessment change. On Monday, August 18, the PLDD Commissioners and the County Commissioners will hold a joint public hearing at the Beach Club, 7:00 p.m., to present the new assessment methodology report and recommendations and to take public testimony. The County Commissioners will take the final action at their regular meeting on Monday, August 25. If approved, new assessment methodology will be used to collect PLDD assessment revenues during 2004.

The North Bay Condo Drainage Project contract was awarded to Seton Construction Inc. of Port Townsend. Construction has started and is expected to be completed in a timely and orderly manner.

Area 7 Detention Pond cleanup and rehabilitation were completed last month.

PLDD meets at the Beach Club at 10:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Our meetings are held in an open forum style, inviting the audience to participate in drainage discussions.

Fire District Commission Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Jefferson County Fire District No. 3 Commissioners are held on the second Tuesday of each month. This was erroneously reported in the July *Voice* as the third Tuesday. The public is invited to attend these meetings. Please contact the District at 437-2899 for further information.

Notice of Public Hearing

Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD)
Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan
Thursday, August 14, 7:00 p.m.
Beach Club Bay View Room