

**RIST CANYON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT STOVE PRAIRIE SCHOOL
November 3, 2018**

The 2018 Annual Meeting of the RCVFD Board of Directors was called to order at 6:49 pm by President Dale Snyder.

Board members in attendance:

- Dale Snyder, President
- HJ Siegel, 1st Vice President
- Carol Dollard, Fire Chief/2nd Vice President
- Richard Lund, Treasurer
- Steve Denlinger, Assistant Treasurer
- Bridget Tisthammer, RistWatch Editor
- Leisa Taylor, Secretary
- Louise Creager, Stratton Park Area Rep.
- Don Diemer, Buckhorn Area Rep.
- Jeff Yarberry, Rist Canyon Area Rep.

[32 people signed the attendance roster, and the original minutes contain the list of attendees. For a copy, please contact Board Secretary Leisa Taylor at 970-493-1236.]

Approval of 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes

There were no corrections to the draft 2017 Annual Meeting minutes. Carol made a motion to approve, and with a second by Louise, the 2017 Annual Meeting minutes were approved.

President's Comments

Dale reported the following:

- RCVFD has purchased a computer and software for department business and records. Prior to the purchase, (Treasurer) Richard was using his own personal computer and software;
- A third-party review of RCVFD financial records is in progress. Dale said the initial results are encouraging, and the department's finances are being well managed.
- Truck sponsorships are helping defray the cost of vehicle insurance, which is approximately one-third of the RCVFD budget. To date, Dellenbach Motors has sponsored two trucks, and JAX has sponsored one truck; and
- HJ did a fantastic job with the 2018 Mountain Festival.

Report of Officers: Treasurer's Report

Richard announced that RCVFD is financially sound and remains very conscious of how the department's money is spent. [The signed original of the 11/3/18 Annual Financial Report is filed with the original minutes. For a copy, contact Leisa Taylor at 970-493-1236.]

Richard reviewed the financial figures and reported the following:

- As the department's trucks/engines are aging, money from the department's long-term investments may be needed for replacement vehicles;
- The annual drive to date is at \$52,671.55, with HJ to send out one more letter in 2018;
- The annual drive and Festival proceeds will meet this year's budget requirements; and
- RCVFD has received over \$1,000 from the use of King Sooper's community cards. The department also receives funds through Colorado Gives Day and Amazon Smile.

With the motion by Carol and a second by Bridget, the Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Report of Officers: Chief's Report

Carol said that RCVFD has received 60 calls so far in 2018. With a slide show presentation, Carol reported that from the period of November 2017 through October 2018, the breakdown of calls was as follows:

<u>Response by Type</u>		<u>Response by Area Served</u>	
38%	medical	21%	Davis Ranch
24%	motor vehicle accident	26%	Rist Canyon
6%	slash fires	3%	Stratton Park
7%	wildfires	31%	Buckhorn
16%	smoke scares	19%	Stove Prairie
9%	other		

Regarding slash burns/fires, Carol said that residents must apply for a burn permit via the Larimer County website. Residents must then notify RCVFD of a slash fire/burn under the "community information" section of the RCVFD website. Larimer County requires three inches of snow for slash burns; RCVFD, however, recommends at least six inches of snow. The slash burn period runs from Oct. 1 through May.

Carol also reported:

- RCVFD has gone solar via the solar garden at the Larimer County landfill;
- Good news includes lights at Station 1, a \$10,000 grant from the El Pomar Foundation for PPE (personal protective equipment), truck sponsorships, three new recruits, and the donation of 800 MHz radios from Larimer County; and
- Bad news consists of a continuing mice problem at Station 3 as well as damage to Station 4 from a lightning strike (almost \$1,000 in damages including electrical work).

Louise made a motion to accept the Chief's Report, and with a second by Karen Steadman, the Chief's Report was accepted.

Report of Officers: Festival Committee Report

With regard to the 2018 Mountain Festival, HJ reported:

- Over 80 “Friends of the Festival” volunteers;
- Approximately 2,000 people in attendance;
- 15 corporate sponsors;
- Over 80 silent auction donors; and
- Over \$18,000 in profit.

The 2019 Mountain Festival will be held on Sept 7, and interested volunteers should contact HJ.

Presentation of 2019 Board Nominees

Dale Snyder was thanked for his two years of service as President of the RCVFD Board.

Dale reported on those offering to serve in 2019 as follows:

President – Jeff Yarberry

1st Vice President – HJ Siegel

2nd Vice President – Carol Dollard

Secretary – Leisa Taylor

Treasurer – Richard Lund

Assistant Treasurer – Steve Denlinger

Newsletter Editor – Bridget Tisthammer

Rist Canyon Rep. – Idris Hamid

Davis Ranch Rep. – Sandy Derany-Reilly

Stratton Park Rep. – Louise Creager

Whale Rock Rep. – Brian Finley

Stove Prairie Rep. – Jill Smith

Upper Buckhorn Rep. – Don Diemer

Lower Buckhorn Rep. – Open

Richard made a motion to close nominations from the floor, and with a second by Bridget, nominations were closed. Taylor Hubbard made a motion to approve the 2019 Board Nominees as submitted, and with a second by Karen Steadman, the 2019 Board Nominees were unanimously elected.

At 7:22 pm, Carol made a motion to adjourn the 2018 Annual Meeting. With a second by Karen Steadman, the meeting adjourned.