

**RIST CANYON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT STOVE PRAIRIE SCHOOL  
November 2, 2019**

The 2019 RCVFD Membership Meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm by President Jeff.

Board members in attendance:      Jeff Yarberry, President  
   HJ Siegel, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
   Carol Dollard, Fire Chief/2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

[Note: 48 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 Agenda**

Dan Diefenderfer made a motion to approve the agenda, and with a second by Steve, the 11/2/19 agenda was approved.

**Approval of 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes**

There were no corrections to the draft 2018 Annual Meeting minutes. Richard made a motion to approve, and with a second by Carol, the 2018 Annual Meeting minutes were approved.

**President's Comments**

Jeff thanked and praised the Board, RCVFD firefighters, and the attendees for their support of the Rist Canyon community. Jeff presented the President's Award to Chief Carol for her dedication and exemplary service.

**Report of Officers: Treasurer's Report**

Richard reported that RCVFD is in good financial shape. [The signed original of the 11/2/19 Annual Financial Report is filed with the original minutes. For a copy, contact Leisa Taylor at 970-493-1236.]

Richard reviewed the figures on the Annual Financial Report. With a budget of approximately \$80,000/year, the department's main source of income is the annual drive, and three fundraising letters are sent annually. Richard also announced 2019 funds received from Amazon Smile (\$578.34), Network for Good (\$151), Benevity (\$1,619.56), and King Soopers (\$4,892.96 from 94 households). Nineteen people donated through Colorado Gives in 2018.

With a motion by Dan Diefenderfer and a second by Louise, the Treasurer’s Report was unanimously approved.

**Report of Officers: Chief’s Report**

Carol thanked the Board and firefighters and said she was humbled by the President’s Award. She said that from Oct. 2018 through Oct. 2019, RCVFD received 72 calls. To date in 2019, 52 calls have been received, with the following breakdown:

**Response by Area Served**

10%	Davis Ranch	26%	Stove Prairie
19%	Rist Canyon	8%	Whale Rock
11%	Stratton Park	5%	Other
21%	Buckhorn		

Approximately 80% of calls are medical or MVA (motor vehicle accident). The majority of medical calls are for residents in Rist Canyon, whereas MVAs usually involve people travelling through the canyon. There were no serious structure fires.

Carol also reported:

- RCVFD averages six calls/month;
- The department has eight EMTs and approximately 30 firefighters;
- Air ambulance insurance can be purchased and will cover the entire household;
- Controlled burns are sometimes necessary; and
- Reflective address signs are definitely necessary.

With a motion by Dan Diefenderfer and a second by Bridget, the Chief’s Report was accepted.

**Report of Officers: Festival Committee Report**

With regard to the 2019 Mountain Festival, HJ announced a profit of over \$20,000.

HJ also reported:

- over 100 volunteers worked on the Festival;
- approximately 2,000 people attended;
- over 230 items were donated for the silent auction;
- corporate sponsors numbered 18;
- co-chairs are needed for the 2020 bake and plant sales; and
- the 2020 Festival will celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of “Festival Godfather” Richard Lund.

With a motion by Dan Diefenderfer and a second by Barb Monesson, the Festival Report was accepted.

### **Presentation of 2020 Board Nominees**

President Jeff reported on those offering to serve in 2020 as follows:

President – Jeff Yarberry	Rist Canyon Rep. – Idris Hamid
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President – HJ Siegel	Davis Ranch Rep. – Carolyn Stanley
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Carol Dollard	Stratton Park Rep. – Louise Creager
Secretary – Leisa Taylor	Whale Rock Rep. – Brian Finley
Treasurer – Richard Lund	Stove Prairie Rep. – Tim Stratman
Assistant Treasurer – Steve Denlinger	Upper Buckhorn Rep. – Don Diemer
Newsletter Editor – Bridget Tisthammer	Lower Buckhorn Rep. – Open

Carol made a motion to approve the 2020 Board nominees as submitted, and with a second by Bridget, the 2020 Board nominees were unanimously elected.

On a motion by Tim Hollaman and a second by Carol, the 2019 Annual Membership Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.