

**RIST CANYON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
November 6, 2021**

The 2021 RCVFD Annual Membership Meeting was held Nov. 6th at the American Legion Hall, 2124 CR 54G, Fort Collins.

Board members in attendance: Jeff Yarberry, President
 HJ Siegel, 1st Vice President
 Jeff Elsner, Fire Chief and 2nd Vice President
 Richard Lund, Treasurer
 Bridget Tisthammer, Ristwatch Editor
 Leisa Taylor, Secretary
 Louise Creager, Stratton Park Rd. Area Representative
 Carolyn Stanley, Davis Ranch Rd. Area Representative
 Tim Stratman, Stove Prairie Rd. Area Representative
 Erica Michel, Upper Buckhorn Rd. Area Representative
 Roger Dev, Whale Rock Rd. Area Representative

Over 50 people attended the meeting, and the original minutes contain the signed roster of attendees. For a copy, please contact Board Secretary Leisa Taylor at 970-493-1236.

Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by President Jeff Yarberry.

Determination of Quorum

Per the sign-in roster, a quorum of at least 20 members was met.

Review and Approval of Agenda

With a motion by Carol Dollard and a second by Erica, the agenda was approved.

Approval of 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes

With a motion by Roger and a second by Carolyn, the draft 2020 Annual Meeting minutes were approved without correction.

President's Award

President Jeff said he could not single out an individual or individuals for a President's Award; rather, everyone has pulled together during the pandemic. He said our sense of community means that we are here for one another.

Officer Reports: Fire Chief

Chief Jeff said the department currently has 30 firefighters with five EMTs, and more recruits are coming on board. To date, RCVFD has responded to 58 calls: 34 medical; 10 motor vehicle accidents; 11 smoke/fire; and 3 other/special. Jeff distributed a graphic re: RCVFD Response by Area (see attached).

The Chief expressed his appreciation for Sue James, RCVFD's grant writer, for her successful efforts with a FEMA grant relating to the Cameron Peak Fire (re: firefighter hours, vehicle wear-and-tear, and supplies). Jeff also thanked Gretchen Long and Jeff Brack, who have respectively taken charge of equipment/gear and vehicle maintenance.

Finally, the Chief updated the placement of engines in the area. A truck with water, stationed in the Buckhorn over the summer, is now back at Station 4. An engine with water capabilities will be stationed in Old Flowers.

On a motion by Carolyn and a second by Bridget, the Chief's Report was accepted.

Officer Reports: Treasurer

Richard reviewed the amounts on the 11/6/21 Annual Financial Report (see attached). The Treasurer said, "Looking into the future, RCVFD is in very good financial condition." Richard also echoed Chief Jeff's appreciation for grant writer Sue James. He said the FEMA grant has been approved, and the funds will be forthcoming.

With a motion by Louise and a second by Carolyn, the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

Officer Reports: Ristwatch Editor

Bridget reported that the quarterly Ristwatch is now available on the website. She said the Ristwatch now pays for itself every quarter; i.e. the costs of printing each issue are fully paid for by the advertising.

With a motion by Roger and a second by Erica, the Ristwatch Report was accepted.

Officer Reports: Vice President

HJ gave a powerpoint presentation re: 2021 Mountain Festival. He said over 100 neighbors worked together to raise some \$30,000, with approximately 2,000 Festival attendees. HJ also distributed a thank-you list (see attached). Taylor Hubbard spoke about corporate sponsors, which contributed approximately \$15,000, and the Festival/commemorative graphics.

With a motion by Carol and a second by Louise, the Vice President's Report was accepted.

Election of 2022 Board Members

President Jeff stated that he was not running for President in 2022; all other current Board members did run for re-election. HJ thanked President Jeff for his volunteer service to RCVFD, and attendees echoed this sentiment with a round of applause.

For the position of President, Vice President HJ nominated Neil Faber from the floor. No other floor nominations were received. Neil Faber, a 14-year resident of Davis Ranch, introduced himself to the attendees.

With a motion by Carol and a second by Louise, the following slate for the 2022 RCVFD Board of Directors was submitted to a vote. All in attendance voiced “aye” with no dissenting votes.

President – Neil Faber	Rist Canyon Rep. – Idris Hamid
1 st Vice President – HJ Siegel	Davis Ranch Rep. – Carolyn Stanley
2 nd Vice President – Fire Chief Jeff Elsner	Stratton Park Rep. – Louise Creager
Treasurer – Richard Lund	Whale Rock Rep. – Roger Dev
Assistant Treasurer – Steve Denlinger	Stove Prairie Rep. – Tim Stratman
Secretary – Leisa Taylor	Upper Buckhorn Rep. – Erica Michel
RistWatch Editor – Bridget Tisthammer	Lower Buckhorn Rep. – OPEN

Other Business

There was no Old or New Business.

Adjournment

On a motion by Tim and a second by Carolyn, the 2021 Annual Membership Meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm.