

Crystal Lakes Fire Protection District

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Board of Directors

**Minutes for November 19, 2020
7:00 P.M.**

Call To Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by President Don Hass.

In Attendance: Don Hass, Jody Randol, Shirla Race, Jim Kubichek, Duane Jacoby, Mark Rode

Absent: None

District Members in attendance: Doug Race

Approval of Agenda: Jody Randol moved to approve the agenda. Shirla Race seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: October 15, 2020

Shirla Race moved to approve the minutes of October 15, 2020. Jody Randol seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: President Hass expressed appreciation for what the Crystal Lakes VFD and the Red Feather Lakes VFD, the State of Colorado, The Larimer County Sheriff's office, and the United States Forest Service did to protect our community during the Cameron Peak Fire.

Secretary's Report: None

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Race stated that there was nothing remarkable about the monthly financials. She did state that within the next two years that the District may want to raise the mill

levy. Jim Kubichek made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Jody Randol seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

Treasurer Race then presented the Proposed 2021 budget and noted that it was posted in the media and there were no oppositions or questions from the public. Don Hass made a motion to approve the 2021 budget as presented. Jody Randol seconded. It passed unanimously.

Fire Department Report: Chief Rode presented the monthly department report.

Highlights include:

- There have been 6 additional incidents since the last report with a YTD total of 59.
- Assistant Chief Mark Weeks is retiring from the Department after 10 years of valuable service.
- Doug Race will be the new Assistant Chief. He will join Marian Kelly as the second Assistant Chief.
- November's training topic was SCBA use. Trainings are going well and the joint trainings with the Red Feather Lakes department are going well.
- Covid protocols remain the same. A second surge has begun and infections are at the highest level since the pandemic began.
- The county wide and Crystal burn ban is still in affect.

Chief Rode also presented an update to the Cameron Peak Fire.

- 8/20 1,6500 acres. 0% contained
- 9/17 102,650 acres. 8% contained. Largest in Larimer county history.
- 10/15 164,140 acres. In one day (10/14) the fire grew approximately 30,000 acres and traveled 17 miles. Now the largest fire in Colorado history.
- 11/19 208,913 acres. 92% containment.
- Current status: Very little if any growth in past 3 weeks. Still waiting for the "season ending" snow to fully extinguish the fire.
- 481 structures damaged or destroyed. Of those, 231 were residential structure of which 42 were primary residences.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Progress related to Squad / Brush Truck

The Brush Truck group are looking for truck quotes. They hope to place an order by the end of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

Fund raising report for new brush truck: At the current time there is approximately \$34,000 donated by the public for use to purchase a new brush truck.

As the Board Desires: None

Comments by Attending Public:

Doug Race, DEO (Designated Election Officer), reported that to conduct an election for a permanent mill levy adjustment the District should plan on the 2022 election cycle. To do an election out of cycle would cost approximately \$10,000 more than during a regular election cycle.

Set or confirm next Board meeting date and location:

December 17, 2020. 7:00 PM. Via Zoom Video Conferencing due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.