

CLVFD
Business Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2020

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 1807 hrs by Chief, Mark Rode.

2. Minutes from Previous Meeting (October)

- A motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. (Rau/Rode) The motion was approved.

3. Attendance

- The meeting was attended by 21 members, all by Zoom conference.

4. Personnel

- Chief Rode introduced Craig Mawle as a prospective probationary firefighter member. A confirmation vote will be held at the end of the meeting.
- Chief Rode announced the results of the recent vote for department officers that was conducted on-line:
 - Chief: Mark Rode
 - Asst Chiefs: Marian Kelly, Doug Race
 - Safety Officer: Jim Kubichek
 - Training Officer: Evan Rau
 - Secretary/Admin Officer: Jann Barron
 - Traffic Officer(s): Kate Kelly/Jody Sandquist
- Chief Rode introduced the peer counseling program that is being developed. Interested members were asked to contact him for further information.

5. Equipment

- Members were reminded that sign-ups for station cleaning and vehicle maintenance for 2021 will be forthcoming.
- Doug Race has been appointed vehicle maintenance coordinator. Repair items should be channeled through him.
- The new multi gas meter now resides, along with a carbon monoxide meter (CO), in a black case that is stored in the Engine 1 console plastic bucket. Chief Rode briefly reviewed the gas meter's calibration requirements. Additionally, a CO meter will now reside with the chief and in the downstairs office at the station.
- The water rescue boat has arrived and is packaged in the east bay. Future use must now be developed.
- The vehicles are now chained for winter. Brush 1 will have two new front tires installed. Brush 2 remains unchained, per recent procedure.
- Chief Rode and Asst. Chief, Race, visited the Fort Collins Dodge dealer to obtain a quote to replace Brush 2. Chief is awaiting the return information, and if all is well, the new vehicle will probably be ordered the week of December 14. There is a 10-12 week delivery window.

6. Training

- Training Officer, Evan Rau, has developed the 2021 training schedule. The format employed last year that included combined trainings with RFLVFD will be continued. Subject matter leaders are being solicited.
- Chief Rode asked if the department should be interested in a propane IQ class that is being offered. Steve and Anne Dirmeyer, who have attended the class previously, stated that they felt it was a worthwhile class. CLVFD will consider hosting the class for the mountain departments. Asst. Chief Race will follow up.
- Chief Rode reviewed COVID-19 vaccination roll-out schedules.
- Assistant Chief, Kelly, reported she is tallying results for the community education survey she conducted earlier this year.

7. Safety

- Safety Officer, Kubichek, reminded members, once again, to watch their speed—always--and especially when responding to calls. Also to:
- Stay COVID-19 vigilant, and to remember that the station is a “mask zone.”
- Prepare for winter by winterizing vehicles, assembling a survival kit, and using personal safety devices like shoe/boot crampons.

8. CLFIRES

- Jody Sandquist reported that donations for the new brush truck have reached \$32,034.00. The related GoFundMe appeal has reached \$12,818.00. District Treasurer, Shirla Race, reported that donations made directly to the department have reached \$12,000.00.

9. Miscellaneous

- Larimer County lifted the county-wide fire ban, and Crystal Lakes has followed suit. National and State Forest fire bans are still in effect
- Steve Dirmeyer reported that he is in the process of acquiring the required permits to burn the Slash Depot slash piles. A date in mid-February is likely.
- Craig Mawle was confirmed, unanimously, by “Zoom vote” as a probationary firefighter member.

10. Public Comments

- None

11. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1910 hrs. (D. Race/Sandquist) The motion was approved

The next Crystal Lakes VFD business meeting will be held on Thursday, January 21, at 1800 hrs, at a site and format to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Race
CLVFD

Secretary/Admin Officer