

# **Crystal Lakes Fire Protection District**

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## **Board of Directors**

**Minutes for June 16, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

**Call To Order:** President Hass called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**In Attendance:** Don Hass, Jody Randol, Anne Dirmeyer, Jim Kubichek, Harold Alexander, Evan Rau

**Absent:** None

**District Members in attendance:** Steve Dirmeyer

**Approval of Agenda:** Harold Alexander made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Jody Randol. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting, May 19, 2022:** Jody Randol made the motion to approve of the minutes of May 19, 2022. The motion was seconded by Anne Dirmeyer. The motion passed unanimously.

**President's Report:** None

**Secretary's Report:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Dirmeyer presented the monthly financial report. The report was unremarkable. Jim Kubichek made a motion to accept the June treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Harold Alexander. The motion passed unanimously.

**Fire Department Report:** Chief Rau presented the monthly department report. The report can be found at the end of the minutes.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Vault Progress:** Steve Dirmeyer reported that the project has begun with completion expected before July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday,

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **As the Board Desires:**

Harold Alexander shared that having the department meeting after the board meeting could cause a delay in action. Discussion followed.

Jody Randol suggested that the department check the fire code to determine the proper capacity limits for the various Base Camp rooms used by the public.

**Comments by Attending Public:** None

**Set or confirm next Board meeting date and location:** July 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM

**Adjournment:** Jody Randol moved to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Harold Alexander. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

# Crystal Lakes Volunteer Fire Department

237 Blackfoot Rd, Red Feather Lakes, CO 80545  
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June 16, 2022

## Fire Department Report

### 1. Department Activity since the last board meeting

- **Business meetings:** 1, in person with several members via Zoom
- **NW Larimer County Fire Chiefs ZOOM call:** 1st and 3rd Wednesday. Involves representatives from Crystal Lakes, Red Feather Lakes, Poudre Canyon, Glacier View, Livermore, & Rist Canyon, as well as Larimer County Sheriff's Office (LCSO), Colorado Department of Fire Prevention and Control (DFPC), Wellington, and Poudre Fire Authority (PFA).
  - o I was able to make it to just one of these recently, and Warren Jones from Glacier View has resumed responsibility for the twice-monthly reminders.
- **NLCERA EMS Advisory Committee (bimonthly):** Was unable to attend last meeting. The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 20th from 9:00 to 10:30am.
- **Emergency Responder's Roundtable (monthly):** I have been unable to join the last of these because of my work schedule. I hope that my new work schedule will be reliable through the end of the year and that it will accommodate my attendance at this and other meetings.
- **Incidents** – 7 since last CLFPD meeting.
  - 015: 04/18/22 – Medical: Fall with head trauma on Comanche Circle.
  - 016: 04/26/22 – Medical: Possible heart attack on Micmac Drive.
  - 017: 04/30/22 – Medical: Possible stroke at Base Camp.
  - 018: 05/17/22 – Medical: Red Feather Medical. Accidental assignment of CL run number.
  - 019: 05/17/22 – Medical: Two numbers assigned in error.
  - 020: 06/03/22 – Medical: Fall with lift assist on Comanche Circle.
  - 021: 06/06/22 – Medical: Fall with head trauma on Ottawa Way.

### 2. PERSONNEL:

- My work schedule beyond this Saturday is unknown. I should know in a few days and will update the board via email.
- Several firefighters unavailable to respond to calls, currently.
  - One firefighter out due to recent heart event. Return to light duty soon.
  - One out with a bad shoulder. Return to service date unknown.
  - One out with debilitating nerve impingement. Return to service date unknown.
  - One out on vacation until mid-late September

### 3. TRAINING:

#### Department trainings:

- May's training was Structure Fire 1: Pulling hose off the engine and getting water on the fire.
- June's training was Wildland Fire 2: Engine operation, line digging, and mop-up. Thursday's training was cancelled for lack of available participants. Saturday's joint training was the only training for June.
- July training is Structure Fire 2. Details of content TBD.

- **2022 Training schedule** in place with RFLVFD:

Month	Topic
JANUARY	Scene Size-Up, ICS,
FEBRUARY	Apparatus Rodeo
MARCH	Ice Rescue
APRIL	Wildland 1
MAY	Structure 1
JUNE	Wildland 2

JULY	Structure 2
AUGUST	Low-angle Rescue
SEPTEMBER	Cumulative Scenario/Beaver Meadows
OCTOBER	Extrication
NOVEMBER	SCBA
DECEMBER	Radios (Combined Training=Mock Incidents)

#### 4. **GRANTS:**

- **2021-22 Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention Grant** – Approved for one SCBA setup with two bottles along with 6 pair of wildland pants. This overlaps with the United Way grant, which was announced, applied for, and granted between the time we applied for the Safety and Disease Prevention Grant and the time we learned it would be awarded to us. We will ask if there is flexibility in substitution, as we already ordered these items, paid for by the United Way grant.
- We are in a good position currently, in which we are struggling to come up with needs that grants could help us address. As a result, we are applying for fewer grants until our needs dictate such applications would be worthwhile for applicant and grant program reviewers.

#### 5. **COMMUNITY**

Community classes offered by CLVFD for 2022:

- The planned Community Class offerings for 2022 are: 1 Chainsaw Safety, 1 Stop the Bleed, 1 Insurance, 1 Mitigation, and 2 Evacuation classes. These numbers are subject to change, depending on instructor availability and community member interest.
  - Discussion has begun to involve more members of the department to help with the classes. We have not yet organized such members to help with classes.
- We will begin recording some of the classes this year to make them available online to be taken anytime. Not all classes will be offered this way, such as the Chainsaw and Stop the Bleed classes. We plan to offer the evacuation and mitigation classes this way this year.
  - Marian has already recorded the mitigation class and posted it on YouTube with a link on our website: <https://www.clvfd.org/community-education/>

Road closure within District:

Bear Ridge Road was recently blocked by property owner using t-posts down the center and across the road, just east of Koyukon on the southwest corner of the 15<sup>th</sup> filing. This road is not within Crystal Lakes, but is part of the Pearl Creek Road Association (PCRA). CLVFD Chief is tracking down contact information for and will reach out to the president of that association to discuss whether this unsanctioned closure will be permitted. Current access for fire personnel to Pearl Creek Vista and Pearl Creek Estates II (principally, Mt. Helene Rd.) shall be via Pearl Creek Road only. There is no current safe access from Mosquito except the road travelling through Tract D, which is gated and should only be used if other access to upper Mt. Helene road is unavailable. Updates to follow as contact is made with the president of the PCRA.

#### 6. **OTHER:**

##### **COVID-19**

- **No changes since last meeting**

##### **CL GREENBELT MITIGATION COMMITTEE**

- Committee is run by the CL Road and Rec Board. CLVFD Chief is a member of the committee to develop a mitigation plan and guidelines. This project is roughly halfway through its completion with expected completion date in November, 2022.
- The Larimer County Initial Attack Module has agreed to conduct a mitigation project on a 4.6-acre greenbelt area (Tract I) the 12th Filing. That should take place in the next few months, as wildland fire season allows. **I have not heard back from my contact at the county for this.**

- Cheryl Poage has been working with Larimer County OEM to secure federally available funds for mitigation. Larimer County has agreed to act as fiscal agent on a 36-month grant requiring a 12.5% match, including in-kind funds. This application has been submitted. R&R is still awaiting a response.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

- UTV  
There are ongoing discussions about purchasing a UTV similar to the one recently purchased and put into service by RFLVFD. The CLVFD Officers have yet to reach a consensus about whether to move forward on this project. If the department moves forward with the project, it intends to request the use of capital funds to fund the project.
- Boat  
CLVFD plans to house the inflatable boat we purchased in a shed located to the northwest of the boat ramp at the east access to Panhandle Reservoir. Approval from Crystal Lakes Water and Sewer Board, who owns the property upon which the shed would be placed, is still pending. While I presented our proposal at the March W&S Board meeting, the W&S Board requested that the department provide visual representations of the intended shed, as well as exact location and any additional considerations for functionality, such as utilities, solar panels, access, etc. These tasks remain to be completed.

Respectfully submitted,

Evan Rau  
Fire Chief  
Crystal Lakes Volunteer Fire Department