

**Minutes of Board Meeting
Montezuma Valley Volunteer Fire Department
MVVFD
September 15, 2020**

Board Member attendees: Don Rowan, Patty Miller, Dave Weisgerber, Kevin Robles, Tim Leach.

Public attendees: Joe Rauh, Bonnie L. Smith

Don Rowan, President, called to order Board Meeting at 6:00PM.

Don Rowan advised that Board Member Wally Smith has resigned from the Board.

Don Rowan advised that he has received a letter of intent from a member of the community, Ted Caragozian, and that he wishes to become a Board Member. Don Rowan will give Ted Caragozian the call in number for our next Board meeting and Ted can be elected at our regular November Board Meeting.

Dave Weisgerber, Patty Miller and Bonnie L. Smith met on September 3, 2020 to count the mail-in ballots. Dave Weisgerber announced the voting outcome of the community By-Law changes. A total of 120 ballots were returned and the By-Law changes have been approved with 117 voting Yes and 3 voting No. The By-Law changes have been approved.

Patty Miller will be contacting the attorney to advise of the approved By-Law changes and to clarify the next steps that need to be taken regarding filing the proper paperwork with the appropriate agency.

Don Rowan brought up discussion on the continuing COVID-19 restrictions and the annual Christmas Party may need to be cancelled.

Tim Leach has located a website called www.grantwatch.com that costs \$199/yr. Tim has offered to take the lead on this research by finding grants that will start the Board on a path of getting a community building. Patty Miller motioned and Dave Weisgerber 2nd, that the Board authorize \$199 for this registration.

Don Rowan inquired about finding out what can be done on the vacant land the Board would like to get a building on and Joe Rauh and Bonnie L. Smith will be coordinating this in the near future.

Bonnie L. Smith brought up an idea of recognizing community members that obtain notable accomplishments. Bonnie mentioned that in our monthly newsletters we

could ask the public to submit any names from the community that could be mentioned to highlight their achievements, such as a student graduating from college, graduating boot camp and/or being promoted within the military or other profession.

Bonnie L. Smith asked to submit receipts to be reimbursed for the cost of making copies of the By-Laws that were provided to the public. Don Rowan advised to submit to Patty Miller for payment. Dave Weisgerber will also submit a receipt for the cost of the name stamp he obtained for the mail-in ballots.

Patty Miller advised that since Wally Smith has resigned, the Board needs an additional person as signer for check disbursements. Kevin Robles volunteered to become a signer. Patty Miller will obtain the necessary paperwork for this and submit to the bank.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25PM.

Prepared by:

Bonnie L. Smith