

CUSTER COUNTY SEARCH AND RESCUE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

JUNE 3, 2013

MINUTES

The regular June 2013 CCSAR Board of Directors Meeting was held on Monday June 3, 2013 at the Search and Rescue Barn.

**Directors present: John Natalie, Deb Mitchell, Don Schafer, Charles Cox, John Leavitt.
Excused were Cindy Howard and Jane Trude.**

Non-Directors present: Robert Pruiksma, Operations Captain, Mick Backsen, Co-Captain

As all directors were present, chairman called meeting to order at 3:48 PM.

Agenda:

- Interview Prospective new members
- Approval of May 2013 BOD Minutes
- Old Business
- Financial Report
- Horse Team
- Night Missions
- Hug A Tree
- Other Business

Interviews:

Shannon and Lloyd McEwen were interviewed together and all parties satisfied, and backgrounds checked, were accepted for probationary membership in CCSAR

Jeff Hobby interviewed and all parties satisfied and backgrounds checked, was approved for probationary membership in CCSAR

Previous Board Meeting Minutes -Approved

Old Business –None

Financial Report

Deb Mitchell Reports:

- Bank balance of \$80,516.xx
- Safe Deposit Box: CCSAR has a Safe Deposit Box at a local bank that costs \$25.00 annually and is not being used for any known purpose. A refund can be obtained if we cease using it and turn back the key soon.
 - After discussion, it was moved seconded and unanimously approved to direct Deb Mitchell to turn in the key and for CCSAR to cease having the safe deposit box.

Horse Team:

- Much discussion
- Little used
- Members are also Ground Pounders
- **Consensus:** We have it, we use it when appropriate, otherwise leave it alone. Moved , seconded, unanimously approved

Night Missions

- Much discussion
- Many opinions
- Consensus:
 - Two types, missions that begin in daylight hours and continue after dark, missions that for whatever reason begin at night.
 - Safety is no more an issue during night missions than during daylight missions
 - If we do a particular night mission depends on who is leading it, the reason for it etc.
 - Limited number of SAR team members who will ever be involved in missions that begin at night.
 - Lots of qualifiers
 - **Consensus:**
 - Whether or not we deploy for a night mission depends on circumstances

- As a standard, if we do deploy at night, the minimum number of team members deployed will be three.
- 'If we get a call, let's get rolling, unless there's a really good reason not to'- Robert Pruiksma.
- **Hug a Tree Education Program**
 - Requirements have changed
 - Financial outlay is minimal
 - Mick willing to coordinate the program
 - **Consensus:**
 - Moved, seconded and unanimously approved that CCSAR will support the formation of an official Hug A Tree education program coordinated by Mick Backsen. Backsen will be reimbursed for his personal expense for the video and other education materials.
- **Other Business**
 - Pruiksma – Woody Woodson of Alpine Search and Rescue will be reimbursed for gas, meals and other expenses for coming to Westcliffe on June 10, 2013 to conduct a table top training exercise at the general SAR meeting.
 - CAP Beacon Training all day, Saturday, June 8, 2013. Reminder will be sent, all SAR members expected to attend unless excused.
 - Cox – Limited supply of new incident tape received, more coming. Each vehicle will be stocked with two packets of tape of various new colors.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned but due to the scribe's inexperience, the exact time is unknown.

Respectfully Submitted,

John M. Leavitt -CCSAR Administrator

