

RESOLUTION NO. 20 -2025

**A RESOLUTION FILLING VACANCIES ON THE LEWIS-ARRIOLA
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS BY
APPOINTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Lewis-Arriola Fire Protection District is within the boundaries of Montezuma County, and its organizational petition was approved by the board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County.

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the Lewis-Arriola Fire Protection District was recently notified by the Colorado Department of Local Affairs that there were some technical errors in its election process, and none of the current members of the board of directors are duly elected.

WHEREAS, without a board of directors, the services of the special district would be interrupted.

WHEREAS, in such circumstance where there are no duly elected directors and if the failure to appoint a new board will result in the interruption of services that are being provided by the District, the Board of County Commissioners which approved the organizational petition may appoint all directors from a pool of duly qualified, willing applicants, pursuant to C.R.S. §32-1-905(2.5).

WHEREAS, the acting members of the Lewis-Arriola Fire Protection District board submitted letters of interest to the Board of County Commissioners for Montezuma County for the vacancies on the Lewis-Arriola Fire Protection District board of directors for the September 2, 2025 regular meeting of the Montezuma County Board of County Commissioners.

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2025 the Board moved to appoint such individuals to the vacancies on board of the Lewis-Arriola Fire Protection District pursuant to C.R.S. §32-1-905(2.5).

WHEREAS, the Colorado Department of Local Affairs has indicated there is a need for a Resolution to effectuate these vacancy appointments.

WHEREAS, this Resolution shall fulfill such requirement of the Colorado Department of Local Affairs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County as follows:


1. That the following individuals, having submitted letters of interest and forming a pool of duly qualified willing applicants, are hereby appointed to the vacant positions on the Board of Directors of the Lewis-Arriola Fire Protection District, effective immediately:

- a. Dustin Noyse
- b. Douglas Muscanell
- c. Michael Higman
- d. Bill Blackmer
- e. Rick Newby

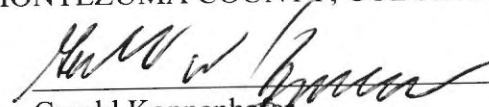
2. The Lewis-Arriola Fire Protection District Board is to fulfill its obligations to call for nominations for a special election within six months after their appointment pursuant to C.R.S. §32-1-905(2.5).

Adopted this 7th of October, 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
MONTEZUMA COUNTY, COLORADO



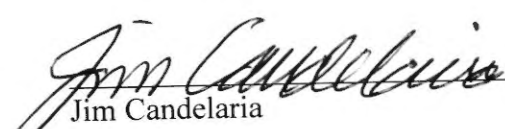
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