

RVCC 26th Annual Membership Meeting

March 26, 2026

Present: Cheryl Klueh, Bob Yoder, Mark Shipman, Jean Shipman, Charlie Hickox, Tom Harvey, Ken Shultz, Linda Williams

Absent: Coby Bergum, Arlo Bloom, Don Bourret, Candy Dowell

Prospective directors present: Linda Roberts, *Mark Shipman, Linda Williams*

Approximately additional 14 members in attendance.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Determination of Quorum: Sara reported 51 proxies and 27 members. Quorum established for conduction of the business meeting, but not for floor nominations.

Approval of Minutes of 2025 Annual Meeting: motion to approve: Hickox/Williams. Voice vote unanimous in favor.

President's Report: Cheryl stated it has been a great year. We had a very successful annual fund drive with membership of over 900 members. The Path to Pickleball project was completed. A scholarship fund was launched with two student recipients of initial awards. The Treasure Chest & Gallery both did well. An unexpected private family donation allowed us to install a fence and redo the parking lot. A new community event coordinator was hired who does excellent social media outreach. We increased the solar array and a vehicle charging station will open next week. Cheryl thanked staff, donors, members, and volunteers. She announced this is Stu's last annual meeting after 14 years – he has turned this place around. We have financial security for the first time in 25 years.

Treasurer's Report: 2025 Gross income was \$591K; a 15% increase over last year. Mark replaced Donna when she moved midyear. Assets are up 11-12% from the prior year, due to infrastructure additions and improvements. Assets are now over \$400K; we are well poised to handle challenges. Mark thanked Stu and Sara for their efforts.

Approval of Annual Report: motion to approve: Yoder/Watts Gup. Sara did a great job preparing the report. Voice vote unanimous in favor.

Approval of Bylaws Revisions: motion to approve: Yoder/Duncan. Changes included the official names of staff and officers mainly. Voice vote unanimous in favor.

Election of Directors: Candidates present did self-introductions –Linda Roberts, Mark Shipman, and Linda Williams. 27 plus 51 = 78 votes unanimous. Cheryl welcomed new directors and announced their term will commence at the end of this business meeting.

Executive Director Comments: Stu indicated this year has been one of *many last times* after 14 years. Last July—he placed the Christmas tree sale preparatory call for the last time; organized the Day of Caring in Sept., conducted the Annual fund campaign, and in December, he sold the last Christmas tree. And now tonight, he gives his last address to the membership. Tonight, he is talking to the membership. There were 263 members when he started –now we have over 1000. Support from the members is why the RVCC is positioned so well financially. Members elect a Board of Directors. Stu has never worked with a group so selfless in giving of their time and treasure. Stu has never been micromanaged; instead the Board gives guidance but lets the staff do our jobs. It and many volunteers also perform tasks such as installing tents, helping with pancake breakfasts, the Treasure Chest and the Rockfish Gallery & Gifts, Wack-a-moles, and the Day of Caring. This year the Board of Directors’ Executive Committee has done a lot of work over the past 15 months for succession leadership planning. They looked at governance structures, operational systems, conducted a membership survey, revised job descriptions and bylaws, and created a new long-range plan, including budgeting for a transition, for the future CEO to use. The hiring process for the new CEO is underway. Stu thanked Sara for her wise, devoted and competent contributions. She is a pillar of this community. He welcomed all to a *New Rock Era*. A standing ovation was given along with spoken kudos from Sarah, Linda Williams and Bob Yoder.

Recognition of Departing Board Members: Fond farewell to Tom Harvey – we will miss you and to Don Bourret who will continue being a part of the whack-a-mole team.

New Business & Announcements: None.

Motion to Adjourn: Harvey/Duncan. Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.