

Jim Reis Bio

After looking around Summit County for a ski condominium, in 1980 my wife and I bought a 2 bedroom condominium at Ten Mile Haus at Copper Mountain. With young children in various stages of learning to ski we quickly saw that Copper's uniquely graduated slopes from beginner in the West Village to intermediate in the Center Village and expert in the East Village offered a safe skiing experience for all of our varied skill levels. Combined with not having to go over an often closed Vail Pass, after 43 years we still feel we made a great decision.

In 2006 I was elected to the board of the Property Owners and Lessees Association (POLA) and in 2011 became POLA's appointed representative to the Copper Mountain Resort Association (CMRA) board. The purchase of Copper Mountain by Powdr Corporation brought exciting growth to the ski experience at Copper with new lifts, new trails and new on mountain facilities and upgrades to some base area facilities.

Unfortunately, some of the 1972 infrastructure and village facilities continued to age. The Copper Mountain Consolidated Metropolitan District (CMCMD) is a unique quasi government organization that provided water, sewer, fire and television as its core services and has access to grant funding from State of Colorado organizations like CDOT and GOCO. I was fortunate to be appointed to fill an unfinished term and then elected to a 3-year term which expires in May.

When I joined the CMCMD board we were already looking at merging our fire and emergency services with Lake Dillon Fire and in 2018 the two groups joined to form Summit Fire and EMS creating a more efficient and effective means of providing fire and emergency services at Copper Mountain.

Looking to the future the CMCMD is exploring major infrastructure upgrades at Copper Mountain in cooperation working with the Resort Association, the Village Company and Copper Mountain Inc. and utilizing the funding resources of all of these organizations to improve the entrance experience, roads, parks, sidewalks and connectivity between the East, Center and West villages. CMCMD has also signed a multi-year agreement with a company called Vero Broadband to provide symmetrical gigabit broadband internet services and streaming TV services to the Copper Mountain community.

I would like to continue to serve on the CMCMD board to see many of these projects through to completion and would appreciate your vote in the upcoming election on May 2.