

Raymond L. Thibodeau
Candidate for Trustee of the Bigfork Rural Fire Department

I first got involved with the Bigfork Fire Department when they had an open house to explain the Levy and Bond issues to the public. I was very impressed with their knowledge and determination to bring the Department up to the standards this community deserves. With my background in municipal finance, they invited me to be on the Finance Committee to oversee and provide input in the bond issuance process. We achieved an ultra successful issuance that will save taxpayer money while updating the department's ability to serve the public.

I believe it's my responsibility to continue working with the department, as a Trustee, to insure proper usage of the bond funds in the construction of the new facility.

My background consists of over forty years of finance experience, primarily in sales and management of fixed income securities. I specialized in the coverage of state and local government account and corporations for all financial products from deferred compensation plans and dedicated portfolios to sophisticated asset/liability modeling and structured products.

Managing Director - Cantor Fitzgerald 2006-2019

Executive Director - CIBC World Markets 2003-2006

First Vice President - Merrill Lynch 1987-2003

Chief Investment Officer - Sacramento County CA 1984-1986

Assistant County Treasurer - Yuba County CA 1982-1984

Commercial Loan Examiner - Comerica Bank 1976-1982

Education: Bachelor of Science, Economics & Management with Concentrations in Accounting and Finance

I've been flyfishing Montana for the last 40 years and my wife and I have settled in Eagle Bend where we enjoy everything around the Valley.