

# Fire Dept. Elects 1977 Officers

Columbia Falls Volunteer Fire Department 1977 officers have been elected.

Don Anderson continues as

and there are moose, mountain goat, deer and black bear along with a self-sustaining population of native fish including westslope cutthroat and Dolly Varden.

There are also marten, mink, otter, wolverine and lynx.

Mechanized recreation — trail bike riding and snowmobiling account for about 10 per cent of the recreational use of the study area.

chief. Howard Pieper continues as assistant chief.

Piper also assumes duties as president succeeding Don Phillips. Gary Purdy is the new treasurer with Ed Gilk secretary.

Gene Darling is the city fire marshal. Board of directors for the fire department includes Sam Ellman, Harrison Dreson, Rob Hedstrom, Dennis McChesney and Mason Riley.

Currently there are 28 active members of the department. Receiving pensions from the department are 16 retired members and two widows.