

**Glen Carbon Fire Protection District
430 Glen Carbon Rd.
Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034
December 17, 2024 – Minutes of the Regular December 2024 Meeting**

The Meeting was convened at 7:00 PM by President Harris.
Trustees present: President Harris, Trustees Humes, Williams, and Woolsey.
Trustee absent: Trustee Dunn.
Fire/EMS Mgmt. Present: Chief Whitaker, Dep Chief Hood, Asst Chief Bowles, and Lt. Reaka.
Fire Fighters/EMS and others are present: FF McClinton, FF Overholtz, and FF Schulte.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NOTICE THAT ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC: None

PRESENTATIONS: None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Trustee Woolsey moved to approve the minutes of the November meeting. President Harris seconded, and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

COMMUNICATIONS: A Christmas card from Franklin & Vaughn; IPRF Grant Award Letter; Letter from IDES; and a First Mid Bank payment update.

ANNUAL CHECKLIST: Annual tax levy confirmation; tax exempt status certification; semi-annual review of closed meeting minutes; and FOIA status. All items have been completed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Trustee Humes reported that due to the early scheduling of the December meeting, there was no data available. The auditors have verified that they have all the information required to complete the audit.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

EMS Monthly Summary & Year-to-Date

NOVEMBER	Current	Last year	Change (%)
Month	158	133	Up 15.8%
YTD	1610	1377	Up 16.9%

Fire–Medical Assist (154), Cancelled Enroute (6), Fire Alarm (5), Smell of Smoke (4), Gas Leak (4), Motor Vehicle Accident (4), CO Incident (3), Powerline Down (2), Dumpster Fire (1), Stove Fire (1), Animal Rescue (1), Chemical Spill (1), Citizen Assist (1)

Mutual Aid EMS– Total (17): Edwardsville (7), Maryville (6), Rural Med (2), Collinsville (1), Granite City (1)

Mutual Aid Fire– Total (9): Maryville (4), Collinsville (2), Troy (2), Edwardsville (1)

PERSONNEL STATUS: Recommendation to add Paid-on-Call FF Maddax Crump. Trustee Humes moved to approve the addition and Trustee Woolsey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

INCIDENTS: Unit 1941 was rear-ended. There was minimal damage and Dep Chief Hood has it under control. Provided mutual aid for a fire at the Yummy Donut business in Edwardsville. Later investigation reveals that the business will likely be closed until March.

Weekly/Daily Training Monthly for November was 1743.2.

Outside Agency Trainings/Certifications: Working with Maryville FD to schedule a BOFF and Advanced Tech FF class in the Spring of 2025. Dates TBD.

November Trainings included: Hazard Materials Refresher; Hazard Materials Communications; Fitness Testing; and Parade Setup.

EMS Skills Days are being held every 6 weeks at our station #2 for the area Paramedics.

Grants: Received an IPRF grant for \$14,473, which includes \$8,882 bonus for our good safety record. Working on a grant to remodel the bay area of Station #2. Remodeling will not happen without this grant.

DEPUTY CHIEF: Work continues on in-house electrical and radio projects related to Station #2 remodeling (beyond the contracted work).

ASST CHIEF: In November there were 7 building inspections and YTD 141. Two were satisfactory, with no violations. Four passed with minor violations. One failed with minor violations.

There were 40 available calls for POC FFs. Eleven FFs did not meet the 10% threshold required. Six FFs did not meet the training requirement.

The FFIB meeting to be on Jan 16, at 6 PM.

Fire Department Assn continues to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Other/PR: Annual parade was on December 7th followed by the open house in Station #1. They were a great success.

OLD BUSINESS: Chief Whitaker reported the possibility of building a fire training facility on land adjacent to the Maryville water treatment plant. Discussion will continue, as there appears to be multiple sites that would be acceptable. No action was taken.

There was no report on the potential Fire Commission.

Station 2 remodel work is complete. On motion by Trustee Williams, seconded by President Harris a final payment of \$19,145.46 was authorized.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was discussion of the Paid Leave Act for All Workers. No action was taken.

Trustee Humes moved to approve entering into a contract to use ESO Asset Management solutions for a total of \$14,669. Trustee Woolsey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

End of Life Equipment: None.

Items Over \$20,000: None

Items Under \$20,000: None.

Training Requests: None.

Closing Input From The Public: None

There being no further business to attend to, President Harris moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Humes and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Submitted By: Ron Williams
GCFPD Secretary