

**Glen Carbon Fire Protection District
199 South Main Street
Glen Carbon, Illinois 62034**

January 28, 2025 – Minutes of the Regular January 2025 Meeting

The Meeting was convened at 7:00 PM by Acting President Dunn.

Trustees present: Trustees Humes, Williams, Woolsey and Dunn.

Trustee absent: President Harris.

Fire/EMS Mgmt Present: Chief Whitaker, Dep Chief Hood, Asst Chief Bowles, Lt. Reak and Lt. Perez.

Fire Fighters/EMS and others present: FF McClinton 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 Humes moved to approve the minutes of the December meeting. Trustee Woolsey seconded and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

COMMUNICATIONS: Station 2 Remodel Lien Waivers-

- Recall Notice for Ambulance
- Review of Jan 2025 IPRF Meeting
- Thank You Letter from Madison County Coroner's Office
- Thank You Letter from Paynic Funeral Home
- New Address at 208 N Meridian Rd.
- Polling Place Request
- Riverbender Article for Jan 2, 2025, House Fire

ANNUAL CHECKLIST: Certificate of tax-exempt status – Done

Review of closed meeting minutes – Done

Freedom of Information Review – Done.

OSHA Report – Done

List of required Statements of Economic Interest – Waiting on MadCo.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Humes presented the Treasurer's Report including balances and disbursements over \$2,000. Trustee Williams moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion seconded by Trustee Woolsey and passed unanimously.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

EMS Monthly Summary & Year-to-Date

Month	Current	Last year	Change (%)
December 2024	205	131	Up 56.5%
YTD	1815	1508	Up 20.4%

Fire–Medical Assist (195), Cancelled Enroute (10), Motor Vehicle Accident (6), Building Fire (1) Gas Leak (5) Fire Alarm (1), Smoke Scare (2), CO Det (3), Car Fire (1), Grass Fire(1) Animal Rescue (1) Citizen Assist (1).

There was a discussion of our mutual assists for Rural Med. It is out of proportion. The Chief has scheduled a meeting with them.

Mutual Aid EMS (37): Rural Med (13), Maryville (14), Edwardsville (9), Granite City (1).

Mutual Aid FIRE (7): Edwardsville (1) Maryville (4) , Troy (2).

Outside Agency Trainings. All company officers completed a public information officer training course led by Trustee Frank Dunn.

Weekly/Daily Training

Monthly training hours for Career and POC = 355.50

DECEMBER Trainings included small tools and equipment; 4th Quarter Drivers Training; and Parade Setup

MAJOR EVENTS/ISSUES: The Chief reported on fires at Butternut Lane and East 30.

FOREIGN FIRE BOARD: Approved the purchase of new tables for the dayrooms at both stations.

Discussed the purchase of video laryngoscopes for the Ambulances

BILLING SUMMARY: The collection rate for December 2024=60.5%; The collection rate for 2024 YTD=84.6%; Total Amount Collected = \$964,746.59; GEMT Collection YTD = \$211,527.30

TOTAL CALLS FOR 2024: Calls for 2024 totaled 2402 compared to 2,039 for 2023. The average time to get out the door was 1 minute 24 seconds.

At 7:35 PM President Harris joined the meeting. Acting President Dunn continued to preside.

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

GRANTS: Working on a grant for remodeling the Bay area of Station #2. Would only pursue this project with Grant Funding

DEPUTY CHIEF: Working on a workman's compensation policy book. Reported on several truck maintenance issues, all of which appear to be under control.

ASST CHIEF: Annual life safety inspections completed in December = 13: Two passed with zero violations: Early Explorations and Texas Roadhouse. Ten 10 passed with minor violations. One failed: Bodies Kneaded. The inspections to date are 157.

Available calls for December were 32. and the 10% threshold is =3.2.

OLD BUSINESS: There was a discussion concerning locating the fire training grounds directly behind Station #1. There was consensus that this is a better location in that it is substantially less costly (based on amount of concrete work and providing a water line) and that it largely hides what many consider an unsightly structure. It would also be a location that is more readily observed by members during daily activities and therefore more secure. President Harris moved to relocate the proposed facility and Trustee Dunn seconded. It passed unanimously. The Chief will approach the Village about the change.

There was no report on the potential Fire Commission.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was discussion concerning the reappointment of Trustee Woolsey. President Harris will notify Chairman Slusser that the Board desires to reappoint Trustee Woolsey

End of Life Equipment: None.

Items Over \$20,000: None.

Items Under \$20,000: On motion by Trustee Humes, seconded by Trustee Woolsey, the Board approved the purchase of hooded pullovers for all Paid-on-Call member at a cost of \$70.00 each.

Trustee Humes moved to approve the upgrade of SCBAs to the 2018 standard at a cost of \$17,301.96. Trustee Dunn seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Training Requests: There were two training requests from FF VanRyn. One for Fire Service Safety and Survival for \$537.77, and one for Incident Safety Officer for \$650.00. Trustee Humes moved to approve these requests and Trustee Dunn seconded. The requests were approved unanimously.

Closing Input From The Public: None

There being no further business to attend to, Acting President Dunn moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Woolsey and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Submitted By: Ron Williams
GCFPD Secretary

2025 Meeting Schedule: Last Tuesday of the Month Unless Otherwise designated:

FEBRUARY 25, MARCH 25, APRIL 29, MAY 27, JUNE 24, JULY 29, AUGUST 26, SEPTEMBER 30, OCTOBER 28, NOVEMBER 25, DECEMBER 16.