

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

October 29, 2024 – Minutes of the Regular October 2024 Meeting

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

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

Trustee absent: None.

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

Fire Fighters/EMS and others present: FF Napoli.

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 August meeting. Trustee Dunn seconded and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from Jim Sinclair (Counsel) re: 2024 tax levy. Congratulations from Anderson Hospital on the job well done. Notice of grant approval from Il-American Water. Letter of appreciation from Cardinal Glennon Hospital. Letter from Mad Co Fireman's Assoc. concerning their memorial. Message from Jim Sinclair about tax levy workshop. New address at 45 Viere Lane Glen Carbon. Letter from Barry Wilson Funeral Home. Children's drawings from fire safety class.

ANNUAL CHECKLIST: Item 21 is for the tax levy which is under control. Also the Decennial Report is due soon and will be approved later this meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Humes presented the Treasurer's Report.

Sep 2024	FIRE	EMS	TOTAL
Beginning Balance	262,480.28	1,529,259.90	1,791,740.18
Deposits	273,102.35	314,169.66	587,272.01
Expenditures	(126,341.15)	(184,890.57)	(311,231.72)
Net Activity	146,761.20	129,279.09	276,040.29
Ending Balance	409,241.48	1,658,538.99	2,067,780.47
Bank Balance	427,611.81	1,737,562.07	2,165,173.88

There were 9 expense items over \$2,000, totaling \$51,206.67 for September.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

EMS/Fire Calls for September
EMS Monthly Summary & Year-to-Date

SEPTEMBER	Current	Last year	Change (%)
Month	156	140	Up 11.4%
YTD	1296	1117	Up 16.7%

Fire–Medical Assist (25), Canceled Enroute (15), MVC (2), Fire Alarm (4), MVC. (2), Smoke Scare (1), CO Det (2), Car Fire (1), Brush Fire (1).

Mutual Aid EMS (29): Rural Med (12), Maryville (9), Edwardsville (4), Collinsville (4).

Mutual Aid FIRE (9): Edwardsville (4) Maryville (3) , Collinsville (2).

Outside Agency Trainings: Certifications, James Schulte, Jason Reaka, Brian Ribbing, and Jacob Hatcher completed Vehicle Machinery Operations through the Illinois Fire Service Institute.

Weekly/Daily Training Monthly training data for Career and POC were not available.

SEPTEMBER Trainings included: Ground Ladders, Aerial Ladders, Ventilation, and Multi-Company Operations.

Personnel: Add POC FF Austin Whitaker and Ryan Rosenfeld. Motion by Trustee Humes, seconded by President Harris and passed unanimously.

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

Grants: Received the 2024 Illinois American Water grant in the amount of \$1000.00 as noted above. Applied for the 2024 Q2 Firehouse Subs grant in the amount of \$32,000.00.

DEPUTY CHIEF: No report beyond that detailed in the monthly Board packets.

ASST CHIEF: In September there were 13 building inspections. Three were satisfactory, with no violations. Eight failed with minor violations. Oh LA La Spa is still working to get into compliance. There have been 109 inspections year-to-date.

INTERNAL ISSUES/ACCIDENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: There was nothing to report on the fire training grounds.

There was no report on the potential Fire Commission.

The final McGrath Report has been received and reviewed. The only conclusion to be gathered from the audit of the District is that our operations and financial dealings are in compliance with

all State requirements and good business practices. It is the consensus of the Board that it is appropriate to have this type of review every five years or so.

Station 2 remodel work is under way. There have been eight latent defects discovered in the station. After negotiations the cost to correct these is a total of \$19,984. Trustee Dunn moved to approve these changes to the contract and the additional costs. Trustee Woolsey seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The project appears to be on schedule.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Decennial Study Committee has completed their work and forwarded their recommended report to the Madison County Board. The District Board approved the report on motion by Trustee Woolsey, seconded by Trustee Dunn, and passed unanimously.

There was discussion about the 2024 tax levy. Action to be taken next month.

The accounting contract with Franklin and Vaughn for the fiscal 2024-2025 fiscal year was approved on motion by President Harris, seconded by Trustee Humes and passed by unanimous vote.

A committee to study the replacement of units 1935 and 1933 was approved on motion by President Harris, seconded by Trustee Woolsey that passed by unanimous vote. The committee is composed of Trustee Dunn, Chief Whitaker, Deputy Chief Hood, FFAlex McClinton, and FF Jay Steinhauer.

End of Life Equipment: None.

Items Over \$20,000: The Board approved the purchase of a LifePak 35 Cardiac Monitor at a cost of \$64,200.97. Trustee Humes moved to approve the purchase and Trustee Dun seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Following discussion of annual performance bonuses for chief officers Chief Whitaker is to send review materials to President Harris.

Items Under \$20,000: None

Training Requests: There was one training request from FF VanRyn for Trench Rescue Technician at a cost not to exceed \$1500.00 in per diem and mileage. The training was approved on motion by President Harris, seconded by Trustee Dunn and passed unanimously.

At 8:02 President Harris adjourned the regular meeting to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

At 8:27 President Harris reopened the regular meeting. All persons who were present at adjournment were still present.

President Harris explained the substance of the executive meeting: A new position description will be authorized. A vote to approve a new position to be known as Scene Support Member as described in the October Board Packet was in order. Motion to approve the new position was made by President Harris and seconded by Trustee Humes. Motion passed unanimously.

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 8:31 PM.

Submitted By: Ron Williams
GCFPD Secretary

Remaining 2023 Meeting Schedule:

11-26-2024
01-07-2024 (December meeting)