

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

**April 30, 2024 – Minutes of the Regular April Meeting**

The Meeting was convened at 6:59 PM by President Harris

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

Trustees absent: None

Fire/EMS Mgmt Present: Chief Whitaker, Dep Chief Hood, Asst. Chief Bowles, and Lts. Reaka and Bullock.

Firefighters Present: Connor Brown & Family, Jake Hatcher & Family, Brian Ribbing & family, Derek Chancy, Tony Hargis,, John Miller, Cameron Overholtz, and James Schulte.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENTATIONS:** Connor Brown, Jake Hatcher and Brian Ribbing were graduated from probationary status. Family and friends pinned the badges after swearing in, and there were photos.

**NOTICE THAT ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF ORDER**

**INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Trustee Woolsey moved to approve the minutes of the March regular meeting Trustee Dunn seconded and the minutes were approved.

**ANNUAL CHECKLIST:** Deputy Chief Hood reported that the Board of Review issued the certificates of tax exempt status. Trustee Williams signed the certificates and will return them. Copies of the audit report were received. Items 15 (Newly appointed Trustees take office), 16 (Newly appointed Trustees complete Open Meetings Act Training) and 17 (Reorganize Board with newly appointed Trustees) required no action as we have no newly appointed Trustees. No other action required at this time.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Thank You Card from Village of Glen Carbon

Thank You Card from Rosenbauer

Work Compensation Payroll Audit from IPRF

Notification from Sinclair for the Telegraph

ARPA Grant Reimbursement

Small Equipment Fund Grant Award

Letter from Cardinal Glennon

April 9th Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Thank You card from Ms. Pieri

New address at 4512 Bruin Lane.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Data for the Treasurer's Report was not available.

## CHIEFS REPORT

Total EMS Fire Calls for January 1 thru January 31 = 195

EMS—Monthly Summary and Year to Date

FEBRUARY	Current	Last Year	Change %
Month	146	135	Up 8.1%
Year to Date	442	354	Up 24.9%

Fire—Medical Assist (120), Cancelled Enroute (6), Building Fire (3), Fire Alarm (3), Assist the Public (3), MVC (2), Gas Leak (2), Brush Fire (1), Cooking Fire (1), Assist the Police (1), Electrical Wiring (1), CO Incident (1)

Mutual Aid EMS—21 total: Rural Med (9), Maryville (7), Edwardsville (2), Troy (2), Highland (1)

Mutual Aid Fire—5 Total: Edwardsville (2), Mitchell (2), Maryville (1)

Fire Fighters Brian Ribbing, Jacob Hatcher, and Connor Brown all completed the Basic Operations FF course.

Asst Chief Tom Bowles, Lt Jason Reaka, Lt Kiko Perez, Lt Ben Bullock, FF Chad VanRyn, FF James Schulte, and FF Zack Napoli all completed the Company Fire Officer course.

We will be hosting Instructor 1 through the Illinois Fire Service Institute in April and May.

Daily Training/Monthly training hours for Career and POC = 1125.90

March trainings included: Fire Behavior, Commercial Building Walk Through of Eden Village, Ropes and Knots, Search and Rescue Drivers Training.

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

MAJOR INCIDENTS: None.

PERSONNEL: Chief Whitaker reported that there was one resignation, one new hire, and one potential termination to be dealt with in closed session later in the meeting.

GRANTS - Applied for EMS Assistance Grant for 2023 to supplement our CPR program. Currently awaiting results.

Awarded the Small Equipment Grant for the OSFM for new Battery-Operated Extrication Equipment for the new 1911 in the amount of \$26,000.

Applied for a \$5,000 grant from the National Volunteer Fire Council



Chief Whitaker explained a new program; The ANEW Perspective for Healthy Minds, that offers to provide mental health services for first responders and their families. President Harris moved to approve entering into the program and Trustee Woolsey seconded. Motion was passed unanimously.

End-of-Life Equipment: None

Equipment Over \$20,000: None

Equipment Under \$20,000: None

Training: There was a request for \$900.00 For Kiko Perez to attend Advanced FF Training. President Harris moved to approve the training and Trustee Dunn seconded. Motion was passed unanimously.

At 8:37 PM Trustee Williams moved to adjourn the open meeting to go into closed session to deal with personnel matters IAW the Open Meetings Act. President Harris seconded and the open meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

At 8:45 PM President Harris reopened the open meeting. All Trustees and Chiefs who were present at adjournment were again present. No others were present. Trustee Woolsey moved to approve the resignation of Phil Basset, the hiring of Edwardo Thomas and the termination of Andrew Dodge. The motion was seconded by Trustee Williams and was 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 Dunn and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 8:55 PM.

Submitted By: Ron Williams  
GCFPD Secretary

2024 Meeting Schedule: May 28, Jun 25, Jul 30, Aug 27, Sep 24, Oct 29, Nov 26, Dec 17.