

Rapids City Fire Protection District Meeting

August 13, 2025

Regular Meeting 6:30 at Station Two

Meeting minutes

1. **Call to order:** President Randy Garrison called the meeting to order at 1830.
 - a. **Roll Call:** Denise Caldwell (Treasurer), Greg Rankin (Secretary) Randy Garrison (President), and Don Carey (Fire Chief) CJ Brooks.
 - b. **Members of the Public:**
 2. **Approval of Minutes:** Meeting Minutes from July 9, 2025, were reviewed Greg motioned to approve CJ second. The vote is 4 Ayes and 0 Nays to approve.
 3. **Public Comments** None
 4. **Correspondence:**
 - a. TIB Pledge Report \$1,325,129.01
 - b. Letter from the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshall declining our grant application.
 - c. Replacement Tax \$892.21
 - d. Hot Rod Association \$1100.00
 - e. Interstate Battery \$500.00
 5. **Financials**
 - a. **Treasurers Report:** July 2025 Treasurers was reviewed, Greg motioned to accept the report and pay the bills, CJ seconded. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.
 - b. The board approved Denise Caldwell and Randy Garrison for E-Fund Transfers at Blackhawk Bank and Trust. The forms have been signed and ready to submit to the bank. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.
 - c. Randy gave information on Bonding. Randy said he will meet with Blackhawk on August 21 at 8:30 am. Randy presented the 2025-2026 Tentative the budget as presented. Greg motioned to approve as presented and CJ seconded. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays. A public hearing will be held at 6:00 pm, September 10 just prior to our next regular meeting.
 6. **Policies:** None.
 7. **Ambulance:** Discussed ambulance cost of \$71,000.00 per quarter.
 8. **Fire Chief Reports** for July 2025. The Run Report and Personnel activities were reviewed. The Volunteers responded to 25 calls for assistance, breakdown as follows:
 - **Village of Port Byron** – 5 EMS Calls and 1 Structure Fire.
 - **Village of Rapids City** – No Incidents.
 - **Fire Protection District (Rural)** - 13 EMS Calls, 2 Traffic Accidents, 1 Investigate Vehicle Fire and 1 Investigate Smoke.
 - **Automatic Aid** was given to Hillsdale Fire Protection District for 2 Traffic Accidents.
- The Fire Protection District is currently in need of Volunteers to fill all positions.
9. **Old Business**
 - a. **Land/Building:** Nothing new.

10. New Business: Need to work on the annual County and State Financial Report. Randy is still pursuing a new trustee to replace Bruce.

11. Next Meeting: September 10, 2025

12. Adjournment: 19:45

Submitted by

Greg Rankin

Secretary