

# Rapids City Fire Protection District Meeting

August 9, 2023

6:30 at Station Two

## Meeting minutes

1. **Call to order:** President Randy Garrison called the meeting to order at 18:30
  - a. **Roll Call:** Denise Caldwell (Treasurer), Greg Rankin (Secretary) Bruce Warman (Ambulance and Ordinances), Randy Garrison (President), CJ Brooks and Don Carey (Fire Chief)
  - b. **Members of the Public:** None
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Meeting Minutes from July 12, 2023, were reviewed. Bruce motioned to approve; Greg seconded. The vote to approve was unanimous.
3. **Public Comments:** None
4. **Correspondence:**
  - a. TIB (Blackhawk Bank and Trust pledge amount \$766,877.31
  - b. The Illinois Finance Authority sent a document showing balance of \$62,500.00 remaining on our fire truck loan from 2007. Bruce verified the balance. Randy signed the form and Bruce will send it back.
  - c. Tax deposit \$14,0483.56
  - d. EDJ statement shows a balance of just over \$73,000.00.
  - e. Village of Port Byron meeting minutes on TIF update.
5. **Financials**
  - a. **Treasurers Report:** July 2023 Treasurers was reviewed, Bruce motioned to accept the report and pay the bills, Greg seconded. The vote to accept was unanimous.
  - b. **Grant Award:** Illinois Department of Resources 50/50 grant for \$10,000.00. This will provide us with 4 more P25 radios this will give us a total of 10. Don said we are still in the running for the other larger grant we applied for.
6. **Ordinances:** 23-001 Tentative Budget for June 1, 2023, to May 30, 2024, was presented by Bruce. There was a lot of discussion about how Quick Books assigned titles. This was eventually sorted out. Greg motioned to approve with amendments; Bruce seconded. Unanimously approved. Bruce will correct and send to Randy for review then Greg will post.
7. **Ambulance:** Cordova submitted a letter of withdrawal from the ambulance district. The expenses for the current contract will be shared with Hillside. Randy signed the Genesis extension contract good until the end of the year.
  - a. **Fire Chief Reports** for July: The Run Report and Personnel activities were reviewed. The Volunteers responded to 29-calls for assistance, breakdown as follows:
    - **Village of Rapids City** – 0 EMS Calls
    - **Village of Port Byron** – 10 EMS Calls, 1 Tree fire and 1 CO alarm.

- **Fire Protection District (Rural)** –9 EMS Calls, 1 fire alarm and 1 downed power line.
- **Automatic Aid was given to Hillsdale Fire Department for** 1 BBQ Grill fire, 1 hay bale fire, 2 brush fires, and 1 traffic accident.
- **Mutual Aid was given to East Moline for** 1 Vehicle Fire

**8. Old Business**

**a. Land/Building:** Nothing new. Greg stated that the Village of Rapids City was looking for up to 200 tandem loads of good clay dirt for the 17<sup>th</sup> street project. The board agreed to let Rapids City have up to 200 tandem loads. Randy can contact Russell for the topographical information and meet with Miller or Centennial Contracting to discuss at the lot. The soil will need to be tested to ensure it is what is needed.

**9. New Business:** Small Awards Management (SAM) has been updated and is waiting for approval.

Web Guild has sent us 4 proposals for website design. We chose image/ option 3. Bruce received an Extension from the Comptroller for our Annual Report.

**10. Next Meeting:** September 13, 2023

**11. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn at 2043

Submitted by

Greg Rankin

Secretary