

Rapids City Fire Protection District Meeting

October 8 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:** Robert Clark
2. **Approval of Minutes:** The Public Meeting Minutes and the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 10, 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 \$1,310,186.47
 - b. Email from **Isabella Belczak**, Project Coordinator Local Government Division Office of the Illinois Comptroller regarding our FY2025 Certification of 3/5 Majority Vote Form (COV) is being **rejected** for not having the correct date for the Official Record Keeper. Randy has corrected the error.
 - c. Richard Brunk email about Jason Dennhardt interview.
 - d. Rock Island County Sheriff's Office needs a signed copy of the Intergovernmental Agreement for Co-Operative Public Safety Communications.
 - e. Checks from Bruces memorial totaling \$800.00 to be used for PPE.
 - f. Vermeer check for \$500.00
 - g. Pork Producers for \$250.00 for breakfast.
 - h. Sandstrom \$1250.00 quarterly donation.
 - i. Foreign Fire Tax \$17,774.02.
5. **Financials**
 - a. **Treasurers Report:** September 2025 Treasurers was reviewed, Greg motioned to accept the report and pay the bills, CJ seconded. 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.
6. **Policies:** None.
7. **Ambulance:** Randy and Heather Knapp attended the quarterly meeting- Mercy One has taken over everything. Hillside FPD will send Cordova a letter asking if they are willing to return to our original contract.
8. **Fire Chief Reports** for September 2025. The Run Report and Personnel activities were reviewed. The Volunteers responded to 29 calls for assistance, breakdown as follows:
 - **Village of Port Byron** – 10 EMS Calls.
 - **Village of Rapids City** – 2 EMS Calls.
 - **Fire Protection District (Rural)** - 10 EMS Calls, 1 Traffic Accident, 1 Investigate Smoking Microwave, 1 Investigate Fire Alarm and 1 Investigate CO Alarm.

- **Automatic Aid** was given to Hillsdale Fire Protection District for 1 Traffic Accident, 1 Transformer Fire and 1 Vehicle Fire. Hillsdale Fire Protection District for 1 Traffic Accident, 1 Transformer Fire and 1 Vehicle Fire.

The Fire Protection District is currently in need of Volunteers to fill all positions.

Mary Beth Eggers is pursuing active EMT as light duty.

Deb Fulton and Mary Beth Eggers are working on the Small Equipment Grant.

9. Old Business

a. Land/Building: We have removed 75-80 loads of dirt and three loads of stumps.

10. New Business: Jason Dennhardt will attend the next meeting pending interview with Chairman Brunk.

11. Next Meeting: November 12, 2025

12. Adjournment: 19:17

Submitted by

Greg Rankin

Secretary