

# Approved – Minutes for the Galesburg Charleston Fire Board Meeting December 17, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance: Chief Roomsburg, Chris Balkema, Josh Balkema, Ann Nieuwenhuis, Roger Frazee, and Carol Wortinger. No Public in attendance.

Approval of Minutes for November 19, 2025. Motion to approve as written by C Balkema, seconded by A Nieuwenhuis. Four yes votes with R Frazee abstaining, motion carried.

Run Report: Charleston - 28  
Galesburg - 21  
Mutual - 1

494 Calls as of today's date, up 16 calls from last year of 478 calls.

Motion to approve Run Report by J Balkema and seconded by C Balkema. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Report – Current balance in all accounts of \$152,177.92. Motion to pay bills for checks # 7345 to 7365 by C Balkema and seconded by A Nieuwenhuis. All in favor, motion carried.

Chiefs Report:

Winter Wonderland went well. South County Fire took 1<sup>st</sup> place, and Ross Augusta took 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Chief Roomsburg updated our SAM account for the next year. This account is how we get paid upon receiving any federal grants.

Chief Roomsburg, Josh Balkema and our accountant have been working with the auditor on our semi-annual audit. Many things have been requested. This audit is more thorough due to tax code changes.

All three Firefighters passed the MFR class. They still must take the National Registry test.

The department has 1 application. Interview will be set up after the new year.

Three Firefighters will be attending the fire academy. The academy starts in January and runs through the end of June.

Motion to approve the Chief's report made by C Balkema and a second by J Balkema. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

Grant update: Chief Roomsburg reviewed application. It is still showing as pending.

Website Update: Nothing to report.

Budget Update: Nothing to report

Building update: Nothing to report

Legal update: Nothing to report

Equipment Update: Chief Roomsburg received communication from the apparatus builder advising that the chassis is scheduled to be delivered to them on May 5. They anticipate the truck to be completed in October.

New business:

Discussion on the rent amount. Members discussed the rent payment amount. Motion made for the Fire Board to pay the original agreed rent amount of \$1375.00 until both Galesburg City and Charleston Twp. Boards come to an agreement on a final amount. Motion made by A Nieuwenhuis and seconded by J Balkema. All in favor, motion carried.

Public comment: None

Members Time: Everyone shared their feeling of happiness that Roger was able to attend the meeting and wishes for his continued recovery.

Motion made to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion made by C Balkema and a second by A Nieuwenhuis. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.