

Approved – Minutes for the Galesburg Charleston Fire Board Meeting May 20, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. In attendance: Chief Roomsburg, Chris Balkema, Josh Balkema, and Carol Wortinger. Roger Frazee absent. No Public in attendance.

Approval of Minutes for April 15, 2026. Motion to approve as written by J Balkema, seconded by C Wortinger. All in favor, motion carried.

Run Report: Charleston - 21
 Galesburg - 14
 Mutual Aid - 5

Currently there are 217 calls compared to 190 last year.

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

Treasurer Report – Current balance in all accounts of \$172,788.12. Motion to accept report and pay bills for checks #7420 to #7442 by C Balkema and seconded by C Wortinger. All in favor, motion carried.

J Balkema reported that the funds from the CD were moved to our checking account for the chassis payment. The final total of the CD was \$129,909.78 (starting at \$120,000). Sturgis Bank waived a \$613.29 early withdrawal penalty due to the funds being used for the purchase of a fire truck.

Chiefs Report:

The fire truck chassis is completed and being delivered to the factory.

The SCBA air compressor has been installed and is being used. It is a great addition to our system.

All three of our new firefighters are passing the Fire Academy. They are a little over halfway through.

Chief Roomsburg spent 8 hrs. with the academy at the training tower on Saturday. Ladder 1041 was used for equipment and as a pumper while they conducted live fire training evolutions.

The new gear cabinets have been completed and are in use. This has improved our gear storage and made the station look more organized. Chief Roomsburg would like to thank Firefighter Carr for his hard work on this project.

The department will be involved in Greater Galesburg Day's next month.

Chief Roomsburg will meet with Mr. Troyer, Director of the Kalamazoo County Consolidated Dispatch Authority, to discuss new radio system and radio grant.

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: The grant through Senator Slotkin's office for replacement of the tanker continues in the process. The Fire Department will be applying for an equipment grant through the State of Michigan. We are currently evaluating needs.

Website Update: Nothing to report.

Budget Update: The board will be making changes to the current budget numbers at the end of the fiscal year. We will need to show an increase to reflect the chassis payment.

Building update: Nothing to report

Legal update: Nothing to report

Equipment Update: New truck chassis is completed and is still on schedule for October completion. The new SCBA air compressor is installed and operational.

New business: Nothing to report

Public comment: None

Members Time: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.