

## DECENNIAL EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE REPORT

Date: September 4, 2024

To: Honorable Members of the County Board of Montgomery, Macoupin and Christian Counties.

From: Raymond Community Fire Protection District

This report is submitted in accordance with 50 ILCS 70/1 et seq., the Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act (the "Act").

The Raymond Community Fire Protection District Decennial Efficiency Committee ("Committee") was formed by the Board of Trustees of the Raymond Community Fire Protection District ("District") pursuant to the requirements of the Act and was comprised of District Trustees William Beeler, Robert Matli and Michael Broaddus; Fire Chief Dan McCallum; and District residents Greg Holder and Russell Poggenpohl.

The Committee held meetings on the following dates: May 14, 2024; June 5, 2024; and August 14, 2024.

Copies of the Committee's Meeting Notices and Minutes are submitted with this Report.

The Raymond Community Fire Protection District is a public fire protection district organized and operating pursuant to the provisions of the Illinois Fire Protection District Act (70 ILCS 705/0.01 et seq.)

The District is governed by an appointed Board of Trustees comprised of three (3) members.

The District provides fire protection and rescue services to the residents and property owners in a territory which is approximately 127 square miles in size and located in portions of Montgomery, Macoupin and Christian counties.

The District supports and funds a Fire Department comprised of 37 members. All members are volunteer.

This District's Fire Department operates from a fire station located at Raymond, Illinois. The station has 4 bays; 1 training room; a Fire Chief's office and 1 radio room. The station was built in 2005.

The district owns and operates the following apparatus:

- 2023 Ferrara pumper/tanker
- 2014 rescue truck
- 1991 Pierce ladder truck (100 ft)

- Two (2) 1991 Humvee brush trucks
- 1995 Ford pumper/tanker
- 2004 Ford mini pumper
- 1966 Dodge brush truck

The District's equalized assessed value is \$73,489,170.00 based on the most recent available information.

The District's most recent tax levy totaled \$207,811.00 and was comprised of the following levies:

Corporate	\$188,711.00
Insurance	\$15,000.00
Audit	\$4,100.00

The tax extension on the foregoing levies totaled \$189,793.13.

The District's most recent budget and appropriation ordinance totaled \$280,000.00.

The Fire Department does not provide emergency medical services (EMS). EMS is provided at the (N/A) level. The District's Resource Hospital is N/A.

The Committee reviewed the following in performing its duties under the Act:

- Relevant provisions of the Illinois Fire Protection District Act.
- Shared services/intergovernmental agreements including mutual aid agreements, MABAS agreement, EMS agreements, and the 3M agreement.
- The District's current policies and ordinances, bylaws, and other internal documents.
- The District's compliance with the recommended Annual Calendar & Checklist promulgated by the Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts.
- The location, condition, and adequacy of the District's physical facilities including its fire station or stations.
- The District's inventory of fire apparatus and other emergency vehicles including the make, model, age, mileage, and condition of each vehicle.
- The District's inventory of firefighting, rescue, and if applicable, EMS equipment, including firefighter personal protective equipment (PPE); self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and equipment; radio and communications equipment, and rescue gear and equipment.
- Water supply sources and their sufficiency for fire suppression in all parts of the District.
- Dispatching services and radio communications utilized by the District for fire department communications and their adequacy or lack of adequacy.

The Committee solicited input from the public regarding how the District and Department could be made more efficient and effective.

Based on its work, the Committee concluded that the District is operating in a generally efficient manner given its financial resources, personnel, facilities, and equipment.

The Committee concluded that the District's greatest needs in order to maintain or improve its efficiency in delivering the services it provides to the public are:

- Better water supply/bigger mains.
- Weather siren out at Route 108 & I55.
- Radio communication improvements to handle heavy loads.
- Methods or events to increase community awareness and involvement in what the department does including public education and youth involvement (here list the greatest needs, such as additional funding, newer equipment, more personnel, etc.)
- Additional turn around areas along I55/rest area to reduce response time.
- Improve visibility of addresses for district residents for quicker response.

The Committee concluded that the services provided by the District and the Fire Department are essential to the residents and property owners of the District, but that addressing the needs identified above in a timely and sufficient manner will be necessary to maintain the efficiency of the District.

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Upon submission of its Report, the Committee is dissolved in accordance with the Act.

Respectfully submitted on Sept 4, 2024.

William Beeler

Jessie Pappas

Robert Mather

Greg Holden

Michael K. Broadbent

Danny McCallum

Being all the Members of the Raymond Community  
Fire Protection District Decennial Efficiency Committee

## RAYMOND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

### NOTICE OF MEETING OF RAYMOND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT DECENNIAL EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

Notice is given that a meeting of the Raymond Fire Protection District Decennial Efficiency Committee will be held on **Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 6:30 PM** at the fire house in Raymond, Illinois.

The Agenda for the Committee meeting will be as follows:

- Open Meeting & Take Roll
- Approve Minutes of prior committee meeting(s)
- Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies of the Raymond Fire Protection District.
- Solicit comments from the public (“survey for input”) regarding local efficiencies of the Raymond Fire Protection District.
- Adjourn

# Raymond Community Fire Protection District

## Decennial Efficiency Committee

### Agenda

1. Open Meeting and Take Roll
2. Approve minutes of prior committee meetings
3. Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies of district
4. Solicit comments from the public regarding local efficiencies of the district
5. Adjourn

## Minutes of Meeting #1 held – May 14, 2024

The Raymond Fire District Decennial Efficiency Committee met on the above date with President Beeler and Trustee Broaddus presiding. Trustee Matli was absent. Also present were Chief Dan McCallum, Greg Holder, Russell Poggenpohl, and Susan Greenwalt.

President Beeler called the meeting to order.

✓No prior Minutes to approve.

Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies and public comments:

First, the committee members reviewed the Ordinance/Policy Checklist and checked off those items that applied.

Next, comments and suggestions for improved efficiency and effectiveness included the following:

- A turn around spot by the rest area to save having to travel up to Waggoner and back to return to town for water supply.
- A better water supply such as bigger mains.
- A weather siren out at Route 108 and I-55.
- An open house at the fire house for village/district residents to view the building and equipment to increase awareness and community involvement, i.e., youth/public education.
- Review and improve upon some of the current policies.
- Improvements to radio communications to handle heavy loads.
- Improve visibility of addresses of district residents.

With no further discussion, the board adjourned at 8:15 p.m. on motion of President Beeler which was seconded by Trustee Broaddus. The next decennial meeting will be held Wednesday, June 5, 2024 following the district's regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the fire house.

## RAYMOND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

### NOTICE OF MEETING OF RAYMOND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT DECENNIAL EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE

Notice is given that a meeting of the Raymond Fire Protection District Decennial Efficiency Committee will be held in conjunction with the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Raymond Fire Protection District to be held on **Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 7:00 PM** at the fire house in Raymond, Illinois.

The Agenda for the Committee meeting will be as follows:

- Open Meeting & Take Roll
- Approve Minutes of prior committee meeting(s)
- Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies of the Raymond Fire Protection District.
- Solicit comments from the public (“survey for input”) regarding local efficiencies of the Raymond Fire Protection District.
- Adjourn

# Raymond Community Fire Protection District

## Decennial Efficiency Committee

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1. Open Meeting and Take Roll
2. Approve minutes of prior committee meetings
3. Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies of district
4. Solicit comments from the public regarding local efficiencies of the district
5. Adjourn

### Minutes of Meeting #2 held – June 5, 2024

The Raymond Fire District Decennial Efficiency Committee met on the above date with President Beeler, Trustee Matli and Trustee Broaddus presiding. Also present were Chief Dan McCallum, Russell Poggenpohl, and Susan Greenwalt.

President Beeler called the meeting to order.

✓ Minutes of the meeting held May 14, 2024 were read and approved.

Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies and public comments:

The board, fire chief and community members reviewed the remaining items on the checklist. Chief McCallum spent the previous few weeks researching items in question. Some were found and some we are not quite sure of. The board agreed that the checklist needs updated. While most items on the list are in place, some items were added to a "To Do" list.

A discussion was held regarding policies in place regarding active shooters. The fire department sets up the command center and sets up traffic blocks where necessary.

Any remaining items are scheduled for future meetings.

With no further discussion, the board adjourned at 8:45 p.m. on motion of President Beeler which was seconded by Trustee Matli. The next decennial meeting was not yet scheduled.

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Notice is given that a meeting of the Raymond Fire Protection District Decennial Efficiency Committee will be held in conjunction with the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Raymond Fire Protection District to be held on **Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 7:00 PM** at the fire house in Raymond, Illinois.

The Agenda for the Committee meeting will be as follows:

- Open Meeting & Take Roll
- Approve Minutes of prior committee meeting(s)
- Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies of the Raymond Fire Protection District.
- Solicit comments from the public (“survey for input”) regarding local efficiencies of the Raymond Fire Protection District.
- Adjourn

# Raymond Community Fire Protection District

## Decennial Efficiency Committee

### Agenda

1. Open Meeting and Take Roll
2. Approve minutes of prior committee meetings
3. Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies of district
4. Solicit comments from the public regarding local efficiencies of the district
5. Adjourn

### Minutes of Meeting #3 held – August 14, 2024

The Raymond Fire District Decennial Efficiency Committee met on the above date with President Beeler, Trustee Matli and Trustee Broaddus presiding. Also present were Chief Dan McCallum, Russell Poggenpohl, Greg Holder and Susan Greenwalt.

President Beeler called the meeting to order.

✓ Minutes of the meeting held June 5, 2024 were read and approved.

Discussion/Action regarding local efficiencies and public comments:

A preliminary report was provided to the members of this board for review. The board reviewed the report, filled in missing information, and added the equipment list. The members discussed issues concerning water supplies and turn around areas one final time. With no additional information to add and all line items filed in, the committee members approved and signed the report.

With no further discussion, the board adjourned at 8:40 p.m. on motion of Trustee Matli which was seconded by President Beeler. This is the final meeting required by statute. The final report will be submitted to the Clerks of Montgomery, Macoupin and Christian counties as required.