



# CITY OF RAPID CITY

RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA 57701-2724

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Mayor Sam Kooiker *Sam Kooiker*  
**DATE:** April 11, 2012  
**SUBJECT:** Appointments to the Rapid City Regional Airport Board

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### PURPOSE:

Please confirm the appointments of Ray Carpenter and Charles Summers to replace Bill Kessloff and Dr. Bert Corwin.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Expiration</i>	<i>Voting</i>
Ray Carpenter	Board Member	05/01/2015	voting
Charles M. Summers	Board Member	05/01/2015	voting

### CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Following is the current committee membership.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Expiration</i>	<i>Voting</i>
Jerry Wright	Council Liaison	07/01/2013	non-voting
Steve Laurenti	Council Liaison, Alt.	07/01/2012	non-voting
<i>Bill Kessloff</i>	<i>Board Member</i>	<i>05/01/2012</i>	<i>voting</i>
<i>Dr. Bert Corwin</i>	<i>Board Member</i>	<i>05/01/2012</i>	<i>voting</i>
Dick McConnell	Board Member	05/01/2013	voting
Lisa Modrick	Board Member	05/01/2013	voting
Ron Johnsen	Board Member	05/01/2013	voting



EQUAL HOUSING  
OPPORTUNITY

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The Citizen Interest Application was submitted from the City of Rapid City website. Here are the responses given.

Name: Ray Carpenter

Street address: 5210 Stoney Creek Dr

City, State, Zip:

City resident: Yes

Ward (see link at the top of this page if you are not sure what ward you are in): 3

Daytime Phone: 703-498-8676

Evening Phone: 703-498-8676

Email Address: [ray.carpenter@hotmail.com](mailto:ray.carpenter@hotmail.com)

Please list the specific committee(s) for which you are applying: Airport Board

Work and/or business experience related to the committee(s): Retired Army National Guard General Officer. Have been involved with Guard aviation (helicopters and small fixed wing aircraft) at the State and National Level

Education, license, certification, & experience: MBA

Community involvement, activities, service organizations: Newly retired, am just beginning my community involvement

Additional information/qualifications relevant for the committee or committees to which you are applying:





## Biography

# National Guard Bureau

General Officer Management Office, Arlington, VA

## MAJOR GENERAL RAYMOND W. CARPENTER

*Retired December 8, 2011*



### Acting Director of the Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau

Major General Raymond W. Carpenter was appointed as Acting Director, Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau, Washington, District of Columbia on May 29, 2009. During his nearly 30 month tour as the Acting Director of the Army National Guard, he was responsible for the execution of a budget of nearly \$40 billion in support of the Army National Guard, over 300,000 items of equipment were procured, 100,000 Soldiers were recruited and trained, and 80,000 Soldiers were mobilized and deployed. At the same time, the Army National Guard supported the surge in Afghanistan and the withdrawal in Iraq. In addition the Army National Guard responded to Hurricane Irene, the Joplin Tornado and the BP Deep Water Horizons Gulf Oil Spill.

General Carpenter began his military service when he enlisted in the South Dakota Army National Guard in May of 1967. He later joined the United States Navy where he attended the Defense Language Institute for 48 weeks to learn Vietnamese. His next assignment was at the Naval Support Activity in Danang, South Vietnam. Upon completion of his service in the United States Navy, he returned to the South Dakota Army National Guard where he was commissioned in 1974. He has commanded at all levels from Lieutenant to Colonel. In 1993, he became the Executive Officer of the 5,000 plus Soldier Task Force Rushmore which was a humanitarian mission in Panama building 27 kilometers of road and rebuilding 10 schools and 14 clinics. In July 1999, General Carpenter was awarded the Silver de Fleury Medal for his work at a national level in support of the Engineer branch. He was a founding member of the Director of the Army National Guard's Engineer Advisory Team and went on to be the Chairman until May 2006. As the Chief of Staff and the Assistant Adjutant General for the South Dakota Army National Guard, he was engaged at the senior leader level in the largest mobilization of the South Dakota National Guard since World War II. General Carpenter served as the Deputy Commanding General for the Maneuver Support

Center and had a number of duties including responsibility for overseeing Joint Training at Ft. Leonard Wood. While serving as the Special Assistant to the Director, Army National Guard, General Carpenter played a critical role in the implementation of the one year mobilization policy, which enabled the Army National Guard to continue to mobilize Soldiers in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. The policy was important to Soldiers, Families and Employers because it limited the time mobilized while provided predictability to the process. General Carpenter retired on 8 December 2011 with over 44 years of service.

## **EDUCATION:**

1975 Black Hills State College, Bachelor of Science, Business, Spearfish, South Dakota

1994 University of South Dakota, Master of Business Administration, Vermillion, South Dakota

## **ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. July 1974 - August 1974, Platoon Leader, Detachment 1, 842d Engineer Company, South Dakota Army National Guard, Belle Fourche, South Dakota
2. August 1974 - October 1974, Student, Engineer School, Engineer Officer Basic Course, Fort Belvoir, Virginia
3. October 1974 - June 1976, Platoon Leader, Detachment 1, 842d Engineer Company, South Dakota Army National Guard, Belle Fourche, South Dakota
4. July 1976 - October 1978, Platoon Leader, Detachment 3, 842d Engineer Company, South Dakota Army National Guard, Deadwood, South Dakota
5. November 1978 - July 1982, Company Commander, 842d Engineer Company, South Dakota Army National Guard, Spearfish, South Dakota
6. August 1982 - April 1985, S-4, Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment, 109th Engineer Battalion, South Dakota Army National Guard, Sturgis, South Dakota
7. April 1985 - July 1986, Executive Officer, Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment, 109th Engineer Battalion, South Dakota Army National Guard, Sturgis, South Dakota
8. August 1986 - August 1987, S-3, Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment, 109th Engineer Battalion, South Dakota Army National Guard, Sturgis, South Dakota
9. September 1987 - December 1989, Executive Officer, Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment, 109th Engineer Battalion, South Dakota Army National Guard, Sturgis, South Dakota
10. January 1990 - August 1991, Chief Internal Review, Headquarters, State Area Command, South Dakota Army National Guard, Rapid City, South Dakota
11. August 1991 - September 1993, Facilities Management Officer, Headquarters, State Area Command, South Dakota Army National Guard, Rapid City, South Dakota
12. September 1993 - June 1995, Battalion Commander, Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment, 109th Engineer Battalion, South Dakota Army National Guard, Sturgis, South Dakota
13. July 1995 - June 1996, Director of Personnel, Headquarters, State Area Command, South Dakota Army National Guard, Rapid City, South Dakota
14. June 1996 - June 1997, Student, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania
15. June 1997 - May 1998, Director of Human Resources, Headquarters, State Area Command, South Dakota Army National Guard Rapid City, South Dakota
16. May 1998 - June 1999, Group Commander, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 109th



- Engineer Group, South Dakota Army National Guard, Rapid City, South Dakota  
17. July 1999 - January 2000, Director of Plans, Operations and Training, Headquarters State Area Command, South Dakota National Guard, Rapid City, South Dakota  
18. February 2000 - March 2003, Chief of Staff, Headquarters, State Area Command, South Dakota Army National Guard, Rapid City, South Dakota  
19. April 2003 - April 2006, Assistant Adjutant General, South Dakota Army National Guard, Rapid City, South Dakota  
20. September 2004 - April 2006, Dual-hatted as the Deputy Commanding General, Maneuver Support Center, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri  
21. April 2006 - April 2009, Special Assistant to the Director of the Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia  
22. April 2009 - May 2009, Acting Deputy Director, Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia  
23. May 2009 - November 2011, Acting Director, Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia

### **AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Distinguished Service Medal  
Legion of Merit (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Army Achievement Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
National Defense Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Service Stars)  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Vietnam Service Medal  
Humanitarian Service Medal  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hour Glass Device)  
Army Service Ribbon  
Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral 4)  
Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal (with Silver Date Bar)  
South Dakota Achievement Ribbon  
South Dakota Distinguished Service Award  
South Dakota Recruiting Medal  
South Dakota Service Medal (with Service Device)  
South Dakota Desert Storm Ribbon  
South Dakota Distinguished Unit Award (with 1 Bronze oak Leaf Cluster)  
South Dakota Unit Citation

### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS:**

Second Lieutenant ARNG 29 July 1974  
First Lieutenant ARNG 28 July 1977  
Captain ARNG 28 July 1979  
Major ARNG 26 April 1985  
Lieutenant Colonel ARNG 01 October 1990  
Colonel ARNG 01 July 1995  
Brigadier General ARNG 1 April 2003

Major General ARNG 9 December 2006

(Current as of March 2012)

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Name: Charles M. Summers

Street address: 3933 Northstar Ct

City, State, Zip: Rapid City, SD 57703

City resident: Yes

Ward (see link at the top of this page if you are not sure what ward you are in): 4

Daytime Phone: 605.391.6007

Evening Phone: 605.391.6007

Email Address: [rapidtrail@msn.com](mailto:rapidtrail@msn.com)

Please list the specific committee(s) for which you are applying: Airport Board

Work and/or business experience related to the committee(s): President, Summers Aero Services, Ltd., Designated Examiner for FAA, Thunderstorm Research Pilot for SDSM&T, private pilot and aircraft owner at RC Regional Airport.

Education, license, certification, & experience: BS, Univ of Nebraska; MS, Troy State University. Over 15,000 hours flying experience. Private, ATP, Commercial, Helicopter, Single and Multi-engine, Glider and Sport Pilot.

Community involvement, activities, service organizations: Teach classes at Black Hills Community Education on Soaring, Sport Aviation. Founder of Black Hills Soaring Club.

Additional information/qualifications relevant for the committee or committees to which you are applying: I am very involved in enhancing and promoting general aviation in the Rapid City area and would like very much to serve on the Airport Board of Directors. Thank you for considering my application.



**CHARLES M. SUMMERS**

**3933 Northstar Ct  
Rapid City, SD 57703  
605.391.6007**

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING:**

**B.S. Vocational Education**, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Nebraska  
**M.S. Adult Education**, Troy State University, Troy, Alabama  
**U.S. Air Force Pilot Training** and Fighter Transition Training (F-100)

**MANAGEMENT:**

**Base Commander, Osan Korea**, responsible for all airfield facilities and support equipment to include new construction and repair of runway and taxiways  
**8<sup>TH</sup> Tactical Fighter Wing Commander, Kunsan Korea**, responsible for a fighter base and three Tactical Fighter Squadrons with fiscal assets/budget in excess of \$80 million

**AVIATION RATINGS:**

**Pilot Ratings** - ATP SE&MEL (52 years), Type Ratings CE-500, NA T-28  
Commercial, SE & MES, Helicopter, Gyroplane, Glider, Balloon  
**Flight Instructor Ratings** - (Gold Seal) Airplane SE & ME, Instrument Airplane, Helicopter, Gyroplane, Glider (35 years)  
**Designated Pilot Examiner** - (FAA) Airplanes and Gliders (12 years)(500+ check rides)  
**Ground Instructor** - Advanced Instrument (20 years)  
**Mechanic** - Airframe and Powerplant, (23 years) with Inspection Authorization (IA)  
**FAA Part 137 Designation** (AG Pilot)  
**Flight Time** - 15,000+ Hrs Total Time (all aircraft), 4500 Hrs Instruction Given

**OTHER AVIATION EXPERIENCE:**

**AWARDS** - Awarded the **FAA Safety Counselor** of the Year in SD 1993 and 1996;  
FAA Wright Brothers "**Master Pilot**" award for 50 years accident free flying in 2006;  
Inducted into the **South Dakota Aviation Hall of Fame**.

**EXPERIENCE** : Designated the first FAA Safety **FAA Team Representative** for South Dakota, **Author** of two columns for FAA Rapid City FSDO, "THE SAFE APPROACH" and "THE BARNSTORMER'S HANGER"; published articles nationally on flying and thunderstorms; Part 135 **Charter Pilot** for Westjet Air Center, Rapid City, **Director of Maintenance** for Westjet Air Center, Rapid City; **Director of Maintenance**, Star Aviation, Spearfish; **Air Ambulance Pilot** for Medical Air Rescue, Rapid City; **Cargo Pilot** for Norwest Bank, Rapid City; **Corporate Pilot**, Bruce Lien Companies, Rapid City, **Corporate Pilot** Hi-Qual Manufacturing, Rapid City; **Chief Flight Instructor**, Waypoint Aviation, Rapid City; **President**, Summers Aero Services, Ltd., a South Dakota Aviation Services Company, since 1993; **Thunderstorm Research Pilot** for the South Dakota School of Mines for ten years.

**AVIATION ORGANIZATIONS:**

**Member**, South Dakota Pilot's Association; **Charter member** and **President** of Spearfish Airport Improvement Association; **Charter member** of Black Hills Soaring Club; Soaring Society of America (SSA); **SSA State Record Keeper** for South Dakota; **Member** of Aircraft Owners and Pilot Association since 1955, Experimental Aircraft Association and EAA Chapter 39, Rapid City, National Association of Flight Instructors, National World War II Glider Pilot Association (Associate Member- USAF Glider Pilot), Popular Rotorcraft Association.