

NEW ORLEANS FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION AND RELIEF FUND

Martin Gaal
Board President

Thomas F. Meagher, III
Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT:

**Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Firefighters' Pension & Relief Fund**

TIME, DATE AND PLACE:

**March 8, 2023
5710 general Haig Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70124**

This meeting was available via WebEx.

The following members of the Board of Trustees were present: Thomas Meagher, Branden Krsak, Martin Gaal, Roman Nelson, Stephen Roy A. Tervalon and Norman White.

Also present:

Louis Robein, Board Attorney

Paul Mitchell

Pam Meyer

Teresa Kehoe

A quorum being present, the Board's Secretary Treasurer called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Meagher noted that the STOYA Group has scheduled a bus tour of their Manhattan Blvd property on Saturday for interested Lakewood Golf course neighbors.

REVIEW AND ACCEPT MINUTES

The February 2023 minutes require approval.

MOTION: Moved by Meagher and seconded by Nelson to accept the minutes of the February 2023 meeting.

Motion passed.

NO OBJECTIONS

REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS

John Weinmann, III having 6 years of service, Kerry Roby, with 6 years of service and Germaine Matthews with less than a year of service have requested a refund of their contributions.

MOTION Moved by Meagher and seconded by Nelson to approve the refund of contributions to Weinmann, Roby and Matthews.

Motion passed

NO OBJECTIONS

CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY

Gary Herty, Christine Delatte, Kevin Gilbert, Joseph L. Sibernagel and Joseph F. Sibernagel have updated their beneficiary forms.

DROP WITHDRAWAL

None

R.S. 11:3376 DISABILITY APPLICATIONS

None

REGULAR PENSION APPLICATIONS:

None

PLOP APPROVALS

None

REVERSE DROP

None

DROP APPLICATIONS

None

REPORTS OF DEATHS

Members

Mark Siler died on February 22, 2023 at the age of 73, leaving no widow and no minor children. He entered the department on June 18, 1978 and retired on November 17, 1989 after 11 years of service. He spent 33 years on pension.

Widows:

Jean A Schneider died on February 22, 2023 at the age of 73. Her benefits began on April 1, 2009. She enjoyed benefits for 13 years.

MOTION: Moved by Gaal and seconded by Meagher to remove the members and widows from the rolls.

Motion passed.

NO OBJECTIONS

WIDOW'S APPLICATIONS

None

APPLICATIONS PENDING

Mrs. Charlene Signorelli has applied for a line of duty death benefit. She has submitted sufficient support with her request. Application will be effective January 1, 2023.

MOTION: Moved by Meagher and seconded by Nelson to approve a line of duty death benefit for Mrs. Signorelli effective January 1, 2023.

Motion passed.

NO OBJECTIONS

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Board members were provided with key financial revenue and disbursement figures for the New and Old system for February 2023.

OLD BUSINESS:

SEB payment history request: No update provided

Information for life insurance: No update provided

NEW BUSINESS

Waterpark Offer

Management of the Waterpark has delivered a \$50,000 deposit and is working with Mr. Tarca to finalize the sale of the Fund's interest in the Waterpark for \$1,500,000.

LEGAL:

Mr. Robein provided an update on the longevity payments.

MOTION: Moved by Meagher and seconded by Gaal to go into executive session to discuss matters relating to medical records.

Motion passed.

NO OBJECTIONS

MOTION: Moved by Meagher and seconded by Gaal to come out of executive session.

Motion passed.

NO OBJECTIONS

MOTION: Moved by Meagher and seconded by Gaal to deny the request for reconsideration regarding the application for a Line of Duty Benefit for Mr. John Manning. A letter to Mrs. Manning outlining the denial and final decision of the Board will be forwarded following this meeting including the fact that the presumptive legislation does not allow extension.

Motion passed.

NO OBJECTIONS

MOTION: Moved by Meagher and seconded by Nelson to deny the request of Mr. Duane Daniels to alter his current benefit status. Correspondence to Mr. Daniels to follow stating his appeal options going forward.

Motion passed.

NO OBJECTIONS

ADJOURNMENT

TIMELY FILING OF APPLICATIONS:

All Members applying for retirement, DROP or PLOP must do so 45 days in advance of the scheduled retirement date. All medical documentation for disability applications must be in the administrative office 45 days prior to the scheduled retirement date. Failure to comply with the Fund's rules will cause a delay in the Board taking action and will probably force an extension beyond the member's desired retirement date.

The administrative office will continue to process all paperwork in a friendly, orderly, and timely fashion. We thank all applying members for their continued cooperation. This will enable the Administrative Office and the Board of Trustees to perform their jobs more efficiently.

Members who have recently changed their address or marital status and have not updated their beneficiary form should do so. Please contact the Pension Office during the hours of 10:00 am to 2:00 pm for beneficiary verifications. Your cooperation is appreciated.

APPROVED BY: Thomas F. Mayhew III Date: 4/12/2023