

Minutes
Police Pension Board Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 16, 2025
Richland City Hall ~ Parkway Conference Room
625 Swift Boulevard

Police Pension Board Regular Meeting No. 794

Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

Attendance: Mayor Richardson	Present
Finance Director Allen	Present
Police Representative Carper	Present
Police Representative Moore	Present
Police Representative Tanner	Present
Police Pension Board Secretary Rogers	Present

Presentations

None.

Public Comments

None.

Minutes

1. Approval of August 19, 2025 Police Pension Board Regular Meeting Minutes

MR. TANNER MOVED AND MR. MOORE SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 19, 2025 MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

Financial Reports and Investments

2. August 2025 Preliminary Financial Statements

Finance Director Allen presented the preliminary August financials, stating that the results were consistent and showed no unusual activity. He reported the year-to-date expenditures are at 53% of the budget, which is well ahead of budget projections.

MR. MOORE MOVED AND MR. CARPER SECONDED THE MOTION TO RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE THE AUGUST 2025 PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

3. September 2025 Medical/Dental/Vision/Medicare/Other Claims

Police Pension Board Secretary Rogers provided a detailed review of the thirteen (13) claims submitted by four (4) pensioners.

MR. MOORE MOVED AND MR. CARPER SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 2025 MEDICAL/DENTAL/VISION/OTHER CLAIMS AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

Business Items

4. Pensioner Hearing Aid Reimbursement Request - \$6,250

Police Pension Board Secretary Rogers presented a hearing aid reimbursement claim from a pensioner for hearing aid expenses. She explained that the pensioner obtained hearing aids through Amplifon, but despite multiple adjustment attempts, the devices did not meet his hearing needs. The pensioner subsequently returned to Miracle Ear, where he had previously received effective hearing aids, and purchased a set that worked better.

Under existing policy, pensioners have a \$5,000 hearing aid benefit every 36 months. Although the first set was paid in full by Amplifon, the pensioner obtained a second set of hearing aids within the same calendar year and is requesting a reimbursement of \$6,250 for the devices. Pension Board Secretary Rogers provided correspondence from the pensioner for the record.

Board members deliberated on the reimbursement request and agreed that further information was needed. The Board requested Police Pension Board Secretary Rogers invite the pensioner to attend the October meeting to provide additional information relating to the reimbursement claim.

This item was tabled until the next meeting. No decision was made.

Board Member Comments

Police Pension Board Secretary Rogers provided an update to the reimbursement request submitted by the family of a deceased pensioner. At the August meeting, the Board discussed the matter for information only, focusing on how long care expenses should be covered following a pensioner's passing. Police Pension Board Secretary Rogers reported that the family has since submitted an amended reimbursement claim log requesting reimbursement for seven (7) days, which is consistent with the facility's contract terms. The revised request will be presented to the Board for consideration and approval at the October meeting.

During the discussion, the Board revisited whether a formal policy should be established. Options considered included providing reimbursement for up to two weeks after a pensioner's death, reimbursing strictly in accordance with facility contract terms, or

continuing to review reimbursements on a case-by-case basis. The consensus was to defer to each facility's contract provisions rather than adopting a Board policy.

Mr. Tanner requested clarification on the extent of permissible communication with pensioners regarding claims outside of formal meetings. The Board discussed compliance with Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requirements during open public meetings and noted that claims may be discussed so long as no personal identifiers are disclosed.

Adjournment

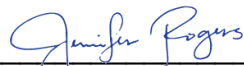
Mayor Richardson adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

APPROVED:



Mayor Theresa Richardson, Chair

ATTEST:



Jennifer Rogers, Police Pension Board Secretary

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