

MINUTES

POLICE PENSION BOARD REGULAR MEETING NO. 698

Thursday September 21, 2017 | 8:15 AM

City Hall Annex Building | City Manager's Conference Room

975 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Secretary Hopkins called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Administrative Services Director Koch, City Clerk/Police Pension Board Secretary Hopkins, Police Representatives Moore and Couch. Also present was Finance Director Allen.

Absent: Mayor Thompson/Chair, Mayor Pro Tem Christensen, Police Representative Thomas

PRESENTATIONS: (Discussion Only)

There were no presentations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

MINUTES: (Approve by Motion)

1. Approve the Minutes of the Police Pension Board Meeting No. 697 Held August 17, 2017

Marcia Hopkins, Police Pension Board Secretary

Mr. Couch moved and Mr. Moore seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the Police Pension Board Meeting No. 697. The motion carried 4-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND INVESTMENTS: (Approve to Accept and File by Motion)

1. Financial Statements for July/August 2017

Brandon Allen, Finance Director

Mr. Allen gave details on the financial reports and investments.

July 31, 2017 - Final:

Cash on Hand	\$131,630.28
Investments	325,402.26
Gains (Loss) on Investments	(85,550.07)
Net Current Assets & Liabilities	(0.00)
Ending Fund Balance	\$371,482.47

August 31, 2017 - Preliminary:

Cash on Hand	\$132,027.25
Investments	325,402.26
Gains (Loss) on Investments	(85,550.07)
Net Current Assets & Liabilities	(0.00)
Ending Fund Balance	\$371,879.44

Mr. Moore moved and Ms. Hopkins seconded the motion to accept and file the July 2017 financial report as published. The motion carried 4-0.

MEDICAL/DENTAL/VISION/MEDICARE CLAIMS: (Approve by Motion)

1. Medicare Monthly Reimbursements Update
Brandon Allen, Finance Director

Mr. Allen said he researched the practice of paying the pensioners Medicare reimbursement one month at a time, instead of reimbursing for the entire three-month amount the pensioners must pay to Medicare. He determined that a full three-month reimbursement was allowable and that procedure can begin in September.

2. Approve the Medical/Dental/Vision/Medicare Claims for September 2017 Claims
Marcia Hopkins, Police Pension Board Secretary

The Board Members discussed the medical/dental/vision/Medicare claims.

Ms. Koch pulled the Macuhealth and Cialis claims from the claim log to discuss. She explained her position on reimbursing pensioners for items that are not medically necessary and said she will not be voting in favor of those items in the future. She suggested that Board doctors be established to use when the Board needs another opinion on a pensioner's claim.

The Board discussed other items that Cigna does not cover and questioned if Cigna covers assisted living costs. Ms. Koch will ask Human Resources Director Jubb to attend the next board meeting to discuss these items.

Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Couch seconded the motion to approve the August 2017 medical/dental/vision/Medicare claims in the amount of \$21,357.26. The motion carried 4-0.

BUSINESS ITEMS: (Approve by Motion)

1. Amendment to Board Policies Section "Comparison of Pension Benefits"

At the last Police Pension Board meeting held on August 17, the Board asked for a rewrite of the Comparison of Benefits section of the Police Pension Board Policies. Since the intent of this section is to ensure that pensioners and widows are notified of any changes

to their City of Richland pension amount for any reason, the following verbiage was suggested:

COMPARISON OF BENEFITS

(Proposed new title)

NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE TO CITY OF RICHLAND PENSION AMOUNT

The City of Richland (COR) will notify pensioners/surviving spouses of any wage adjustments to their COR pension amount due to actions by the Department of Retirement Systems, Police Guild Collective Bargaining Agreements or the Compensation Plan for Unaffiliated Staff.

Mr. Moore moved and Ms. Hopkins seconded the motion to approve the new title “Notification of Change to City of Richland Pension Amount” and verbiage for that section of the Police Pension Board Policies. The motion carried 4-0.

Ms. Hopkins said she will mail the updated policies to all pensioners.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Ms. Hopkins said the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) is offering a LEOFF 1 Disability Boards Best Practices training in Olympia on October 25, 2017, and asked if the Board would consider her attending.

Mr. Couch moved and Mr. Moore seconded the motion to approve the travel expenses of Board Secretary Hopkins to attend the AWC LEOFF 1 training. The motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Hopkins adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Respectively Submitted By,

Marcia Hopkins,
City Clerk/Police Pension Board Secretary