

MINUTES

POLICE PENSION BOARD REGULAR MEETING NO. 723

Thursday, October 17, 2019 | 8:15 AM

Richland City Hall | The Parkway Conference Room

625 George Washington Way, Richland, WA 99352

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro Tem Christensen called the meeting to order at 8:16 a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Mayor Pro Tem Christensen, Administrative Services Director Koch, Interim Police Pension Board Secretary Gagnebin, Police Representatives Thomas, Moore and Couch. Also in attendance was Police Pensioner Turner.

Absent: Mayor Thompson

PRESENTATIONS:

There were no presentations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Police Pensioner Turner discussed his need for a UPWalker. After discussion, the item was moved to Business Items.

MINUTES: (Approve by Motion)

1. Approve the Minutes of the Police Pension Board Meeting held September 19, 2019
- Jane Gagnebin, Interim Police Pension Board Secretary

Ms. Koch requested that two words be modified for incorrect spelling.

Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Thomas seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the Police Pension Board Meeting held September 19, 2019, as amended. The motion carried 5-0.

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

1. Financial Statements for August and September 2019
- Cathleen Koch, Administrative Services Director

The Board discussed the financial reports and investments.

August 31, 2019 – Final

Cash on Hand	\$143,651.11
Investments	325,402.26

Gains (Loss) on Investments	(96,918.80)
Net Current Assets & Liabilities	(0.00)
Ending Fund Balance	\$372,134.57

September 30, 2019-Preliminary	
Cash on Hand	\$143,027.91
Investments	325,402.26
Gains (Loss) on Investments	(96,918.80)
Net Current Assets & Liabilities	(0.00)
Ending Fund Balance	\$371,511.37

Mr. Couch moved and Mr. Moore seconded the motion to accept and file the August through September 2019 financial reports as published. The motion carried 5-0.

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

Ms. Gagnebin discussed a claim for P39, who is seeking reimbursement for independent living. She requested board guidance on whether qualifies under definition of Adult Care in board policy. After discussion, the board requested further documentation from his physician on medical necessity for living arrangements.

Mr. Couch moved and Mr. Moore seconded the motion that Ms. Gagnebin request further documentation from Power of Attorney for P39 from his physician on medical/mental necessity for living arrangements. The motion carried 4-1.

The Board Members discussed the medical/dental/vision/Medicare/Other claims. The claim for P39 in amount of \$2,390 was removed pending requested documentation.

Mr. Couch moved and Mr. Moore seconded the motion to approve the October 2019 medical/dental/vision/Medicare/Other claims in the amount of \$5,177.19, as amended. The motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Gagnebin discussed an overpayment for P10 for 2018 dental claims. A claim processed in 2019 was for 2018 service, which was above the \$1,200 allowable. She asked the board if they wanted her to request the overpayment from P10 or reduce a pending 2019 claim by the overpayment amount of \$678.80. They advised to reduce 2019 pending claim by overpayment amount.

Ms. Koch moved and Mr. Moore seconded the motion that P10 dental claims for 2019 be reduced by 2018 overpayment amount of \$678.80. The motion carried 5-0.

The board requested Ms. Gagnebin check with P8 as to upcoming anticipated in home care expenses. Ms. Gagnebin provided a request for reimbursement for in home care in the amount of \$18,847.17 for the period of July through September. The board requested Ms. Gagnebin have P8 check with Health Advocate if any of the costs would be covered by insurance. Mr. Moore requested the item be tabled until next month to allow time to

review reimbursement information, get information requested regarding Health Advocate and that the claim for in home care be added to November claims report.

Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Couch seconded the motion to table until next meeting. The motion carried 5-0.

At September board meeting P8 had requested reimbursement for an installed home ramp. The board had requested Ms. Gagnebin provide what other boards cover for ramps and the definitions of Durable Medical Equipment(DME) from Cigna and Medicare. Ms. Gagnebin provided what other LEOFF I board policies cover for ramps and definitions of DME. The board discussed what was a reasonable cost for a ramp. Ms. Koch discussed checking with the Public Works Director or other Department Directors on what was a reasonable cost. Mr. Moore requested the item be tabled pending the information from Ms. Koch.

Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Couch seconded the motion to table until next meeting. The motion carried 5-0.

BUSINESS ITEMS: (Approve by Motion)

1. Special Request P36
- Jane Gagnebin, Interim Police Pension Board Secretary

The special request by P36 for a UpWalker was denied at the September meeting by the board. He is asking for reconsideration of the decision. As requested by board he contacted Health Advocate. They had yet to get back with him after initial call. Ms. Koch discussed working with P36 and Cigna in finding a similar device and if can't locate one give authorization to approve the requested device.

Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Couch seconded the motion to have Ms. Koch work with P39 and Cigna and give her authority to authorize the best solution. The motion carried 5-0.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Ms. Gagnebin advised that the letter was sent to pensioners regarding coverage of Medicare Part A as requested at the September meeting. No responses were received. The board requested the item be added as a business item for Novembers meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Couch seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 a.m. The motion carried 5-0.

Respectively Submitted By,

Jane Gagnebin,
Interim Police Pension Board Secretary

Approved: November 21, 2019