

Chairman Ronald Glass called the Firefighters' Pension Board Meeting to order on Thursday, May 28, 2009 at 8:20 a.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Agenda Conference Room, City Hall at 400 S. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida. There was a quorum.

**Members Present:**

Ronald Glass, Chairman  
John Miller, Vice-Chair  
Michael Droege, Secretary  
Mario A. Garcia, Trustee  
Rebecca W. Sutton, Trustee

**Also Present:**

Christopher P. McCullion, Executive Director  
James B. Loper, Board Attorney  
Amanda Green, Fire Department Advocate  
Katie Zuccarini, Employee Benefits  
Rochelle L. Burlon, Pension Coordinator  
Deputy Fire Chief Gregory Hoggatt

1. **DISABILITY HEARING FOR TERI JEAN LEE**

Chairman R. Glass advised that this was the time set for the application for line of duty disability pension of Terri Jean Lee. R. Glass recognized the Applicant who was not represented by an attorney. Amanda Green represented the Department. J.Loper went over the guidelines of the disability hearing. R. Glass informed all present that the hearing was being recorded and indicated that the applicant's package, supplement and the Board's IME would be accepted into evidence. T. Lee and Deputy Chief G. Hoggatt were sworn in. A. Green asked Deputy Chief Hoggatt if there were any limited duty positions for the applicant in the Fire Department with no reduction in pay or benefits and Deputy Chief Hoggatt advised there was none. T. Lee gave her opening statement. A. Green waived her opening statement. T. Lee testified and was asked questions by the trustees and J. Loper. R. Glass advised that the evidentiary phase of the hearing was closed. T. Lee gave a closing statement. A. Green waived her closing statement.

**A MOTION THAT THIS IS A PERMANENT AND TOTAL DISABILITY** was made by M. Droege and seconded by J. Miller; **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**A MOTION THAT T. LEE'S DISABILITY IS A LINE OF DUTY DISABILITY AS STATED IN THE PENSION PLAN** was made by M. Droege and seconded by J. Miller; **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**A MOTION THAT THE LINE OF DUTY DISABILITY PENSION WILL BE EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2009** was made by J. Miller and seconded by M. Droege; **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**A MOTION THAT TERRI JEAN LEE IS NOT ENTITLED TO COST-OF LIVING INCREASES SINCE SHE DOES NOT HAVE 20 OR MORE YEARS OF ACTUAL SERVICE** was made by M. Garcia and seconded by M. Droege; **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Discussion ensued regarding Dr. Thames rendering of his opinion. Staff will advise Dr. Thames to just confirm that the questions have been answered in the IME report by signing a statement to that effect and not render an opinion.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 16, 2009** was made by R. Sutton and seconded by J. Miller; **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**3. PENDING**

**a. STATUS OF DISABILITY APPLICATIONS**

S. Burlon gave an update on the disability applicants.

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Status</u>
Brad Arnold	Hearing should be scheduled for August 20.
Collette Bates	Hearing should be schedules for July 17.
Olivia DeRosa	If additional IME report is received shortly, possible hearing could be scheduled for June 18.

**b. LOCAL BILL/SPECIAL ACT 1433**

C. McCullion gave an update that the Bill passed and on May 19 went to the Governor's office for his signature. Thank you letters will be sent out by staff to the local delegation.

**c. IMPACT ON RETIREES DUE TO WITHHOLDING TABLES**

Staff sent out letters from R. Sutton on May 27 to all retirees with a W-4P form.

**4. NEW/GENERAL APPEARANCE**

**a. CONTRACT WITH STANLEY HOLCOMBE**

C. McCullion advised that the contract should be finalized and signed shortly.

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**b. STATE 2008 PREMIUM TAX MONIES**

J. Loper advised that the premium taxes that the Fire Board receives in August should be down 9% and Police should receive a little more than last year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rochelle L. Burlon*

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