

**MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2023**

**1. Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 5:32 M

**2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:**

**3. Moment of silence for US Firefighter Line-Of-Duty deaths:**

Fire Sergeant Thomas Petschke, Jr.  
Firefighter/EMT Andrew B. Price  
Lieutenant Justin Bower  
Safety Officer Daniel Potts  
Chief John Norris

Captain Jeffery Skaggs  
Chief Ralph Stegbauer  
Firefighter Matthew Dawson  
Firefighter/Driver Richard Miller

**4. Roll Call:** Commissioners Rosenberg, J. Meszoros, J. Larcheveque, G. Pettway, S. Lewis, A/Chief Edwards, Captain M. Cody

**Absent:** Commissioners Robert Russo, Cynthia Saunders-Maignan

**5. Minutes:**

Entertain a motion to dispense with reading of minutes of the previous meeting.

Commissioner Meszoros moved, Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

**6. Old Business:**

i. None.

**7. New Business:**

i. Entertain a motion to remove Charles Mohyde, retired Firefighter deceased November 20, 2023, and refer to the appropriate City Agency for implementation.

Commissioners Meszoros moved; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

ii. Entertain a motion to remove Joseph Reilly, III, retired Pumper Engineer deceased December 3, 2023, and refer to the appropriate City Agency for implementation.

Commissioners Meszoros moved; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

iii. Entertain a motion to grant Karen Reilly, Widow of Retired Pumper Engineer Joseph Reilly, III a Widow's Pension effective December 4, 2023 and refer to the appropriate City Agency for implementation.

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Commissioners Meszoros moved; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

**8. Executive Session for attendance review of the following individuals:**

- **Firefighter Mark Bigard – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FF Bigard.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the January Board Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **Firefighter Isaias Rodriguez – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FF Rodriguez.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table the February Board Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **Firefighter David Rivera – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FF Rivera.

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- **Firefighter Jose Ramos – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FF Ramos.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the January Board Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **Firefighter Johanna Georgia – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FF Georgia.

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- **Firefighter Ronald Reed – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FF Reed.

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- **Fire Inspector Richard Minfield – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FI Minfield.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table the January Board Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **Fire Inspector Hiram Velez – Not in attendance**

Acting Chief Edwards provided the Board with the status of FI Velez

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table the January Board Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

- **Firefighter Paul Dushay – In attendance – Accepted Executive Session**

Commissioners Rosenberg, Meszoros, Larcheveque, Lewis, Pettway, A/Chief Edwards, Captain Cody, Atty Walsh, K. Comisky, Atty Mitola entered into Executive Session at 5:46 PM.

Commissioner Meszoros motioned to return to Regular Session at 6:05 PM; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

Commissioners Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the February Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

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- **Lieutenant Timothy Bottone – In attendance – Accepted Executive Session**

Commissioners Rosenberg, Meszoros, Larcheveque, Lewis, Pettway, A/Chief Edwards, Captain Cody, Atty Walsh, K. Comisky, Atty Mitola entered into Executive Session at 6:06 PM.

Commissioner Meszoros motioned to return to Regular Session at 6:21 PM; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

Commissioner Meszoros entertained a motion to table to the February Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting; Commissioner Larcheveque second; all in favor: I's have it.

**9. Entertain a motion to accept the Report of Sick and Injury**

Commissioners Meszoros motioned to accept the Report of Sick and Injury; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

**10. Policy and Procedure Review:**

- Recruit Graduation held on 12/15. Recruits will start rotation 12/24.
- LT Exam currently in 30-day appeal process.
- OSHA – Department received an anonymous complaint and is working with City to review/resolve the issues.
- I-95 Standpipes.

**11. There be nothing further to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn is in order.**

Commissioner Meszoros moved; Commissioner Pettway second; all in favor: I's have it.

Meeting Ended 6:31 PM  
Prepared: G. Bottillo