



# Aurora Fire Department

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Fire Chief

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION FUND  
OF AURORA, ILLINOIS HELD ON  
JANUARY 10, 2020**

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PRESENT:	Todd McChurch	-	Trustee/Active/President
	Toby Gill	-	Trustee/Active/Vice-President
	Chief Gary Krienitz	-	Trustee/Appointed/Secretary
	Matthew Anslow	-	Trustee/Retiree/Assistant Secretary
	Martin Lyons	-	Trustee/Appointed/Treasurer
ALSO	Charles Atwell, Jr.	-	Attorney for Firefighters' Pension Fund
PRESENT:	Janet Hayden	-	County Court Reporters
	Silvia Cisneros	-	Board Clerk

President McChurch moved to open the Firefighters' Pension Fund Board regular meeting at 9:51 a.m. on January 10, 2020.

- 1) Approval of Minutes – October 10, 2019 Regular Meeting and October 29, 2019 Special Regular Meeting. Trustee Gill moved to approve the minutes of October 10, 2019, seconded by President McChurch. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote. Trustee Gill moved to approve the minutes of the October 29, 2019 meeting, seconded by Trustee Anslow. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.
- 2) Quarterly Treasurer's Report:
  - a) 3% Increases occurring in 2020 and 3% adjustments effective January 1, 2020. Treasurer Lyons moved to approve the 3% adjustments for Daniel Aloisio, Edward Clark, John Lehman Jr., Mark Classen, Toby Gill, Mark Lockwood, William Nutter, Edward Oros, Darrin Richardson, Dennis Schmitz, Daniel Konen, and Gregory Frieders as outlined in the memorandum provided in the meeting packets. The motion was seconded by Chief Krienitz and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

Treasurer Lyons moved to approve the annual 3% pension adjustments listed in the Schedule of Pension Adjustments that was included in the meeting packets. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gill and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

- b) Correspondence to Mrs. Rosella Assell regarding the passing of Charles Assell. Treasurer Lyons stated that the letter provides Mrs. Assell with the information necessary to transfer the pension to her name. President McChurch moved to accept the correspondence, seconded by Trustee Gill. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.
  - c) Pension application of Greg Frieders, effective November 30, 2019. Treasurer Lyons stated that Greg Frieders has 30 years of service and is eligible for a 75% pension benefit effective December 1, 2019. It was noted that Nicholas Carl Frieders' date of birth may not be correct on the application. Treasurer Lyons moved to grant the pension, pending clarification of Mr. Frieders' dependent son, as indicated on the pension calculation sheet included in the meeting packets. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gill and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.
  - d) Refund of Pension Contribution – Robert Bartosiewicz – Resigned August 29, 2019. Treasurer Lyons stated that Mr. Bartosiewicz resigned and requested a refund. The total refund amount was \$2,570.43 with a net refund of \$1,799.30 that was processed on December 31, 2019. Treasurer Lyons moved to approve the refund of pension contributions, seconded by Trustee Gill. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.
  - e) Informational – FOIA request for expenses related to the 2019 MidAmerican Pension Conference. Treasurer Lyons stated that the information was provided to the requester, Mr. Cole Lauterbach. He lauded the Board for their parsimonious expenses at the conference.
  - f) Information – Fiduciary Liability Insurance. Treasurer Lyons stated that the fiduciary and cyber insurance was renewed and the coverage was converted from a November to an April 1 change date.
  - g) Military Buy-Back & Reciprocity Requests:
    - Craig Meseko, Plainfield Reciprocity. Treasurer Lyons stated that he contacted Craig Meseko but Mr. Meseko does not have the final number from his previous pension plan. The documents will be provided for approval at the next meeting.
    - Jon Bonior, Chicago (HB2502). Treasurer Lyons stated that he has not received a request for transfer; however, he will reach out to Mr. Bonior to find out if he is going to pursue the buyback or transfer.
- 3) Disability Pension Application – Timothy P. Schomer. Attorney Atwell stated that the application was filed in December. The board will need to sign off on the subpoenas for the medical records and he will send those out.
- 4) Annual Physicals for Disability Pensioners Under Age 50:
  - Jerry Knizek. The board requested that the Board Clerk send Mr. Knizek the standard letter requesting an annual physical.
  - Peter Bray. Attorney Atwell stated that Mr. Bray has two appointments scheduled in January. He will provide those reports to the Board as soon as they are available.

- 5) Annual Review of State Statutes; 40 ILCS 5/1-109.3 (Trustee Training), 40 ILCS 5/1-113.1 (Investment Authority), and 40 ILCS 5/1-125 (Prohibition of Gifts). Attorney Atwell stated that due to the consolidation of Articles 3 and 4, some of the statutes will change at the end of the month.
- 6) Upcoming Election: Todd McChurch term expires April 2020. President McChurch indicated that the Active Trustee election will be handled by Roseann Hernandez at the Central Fire Station.
- 7) Release or Retention of Executive Session Minutes. Treasurer Lyons moved to retain the executive session minutes, seconded by Chief Krienitz. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.
- 8) Approval of Expenses for the Quarter Ended December 31, 2019. Treasurer Lyons moved to approve the expenses for the quarter ended December 31, 2019 in the amount of \$3,805,049.35. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gill and unanimously approved by a roll call vote.
- 9) Public Comment: three (3) minutes per person. There were no comments from the public.

Treasurer Lyons moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m., seconded by Trustee Gill. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

It is noted that the details of the October 10, 2019 meeting as set forth in reporter proceedings by Janet Hayden of County Court Reporters, Inc. are hereby encompassed and made a part of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Gary Krienitz  
Secretary  
Aurora Firefighters' Pension Fund

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