

The Firefighters' Relief and Pension Board for the City of Tacoma met in regular session.

Mayor Woodards, presiding as Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Board Members Present on Roll Call 5 – Minimum Quorum Requirement 3:

Mayor Victoria Woodards
Andy Cherullo
Michael San Soucie
John Carman
Mike Steele

Others Present:

Cheri Campbell, LEOFF 1 Pension Specialist
Catherine Marx, Retirement Director
Sam Benscoter, Assistant Retirement Director
Adora Peters, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Steele moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 5, 2024, as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Carmen. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comments were received.

MEDICAL RECORD

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no Unfinished Business items.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no Communication items.

NEW BUSINESS

Retiree submitted a request for long-term care.

Mr. Steele moved to approve the request for long-term care. Seconded by Mr. San Soucie. Motion carried.

Retiree submitted a request for reimbursement for an ambulance bill and incontinence supplies along with a letter of medical necessity.

Ms. Campbell said the ambulance bill was for transportation between a hospital and a rehab facility and is not covered by insurance but has been paid for by the Board in the past.

Mr. Carman moved to approve the reimbursement request in the amount of \$328.82 for an ambulance bill and incontinence supplies. Seconded by Mr. Steele. Motion carried.

Mr. Steele moved to approve incontinence supplies as needed as an ongoing reimbursement to be listed with the Pension Fund Roll items in the future. Seconded by Mr. Carman. Motion carried.

Retiree submitted a request for reimbursement for Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) injections.

Ms. Campbell said this is not covered by Regence because it is not approved by the FDA.

Mr. Steele moved to deny the request for reimbursement for Platelet Rich Plasma injections. Seconded by Mr. Cherullo. Motion rejected.

Retiree submitted a request for reimbursement in the amount of \$148.80 for a bill from TRA Medical Imaging for calcium scoring.

Ms. Campbell said this bill was denied by Regence BlueShield because this procedure is considered investigational.

Mr. Carman moved to deny the request for reimbursement for calcium scoring. Seconded by Mr. Steele. Motion carried.

Widow passed away September 18, 2024.

No action taken.

PENSION FUND ROLL ITEMS

<i>Internal Fund Accounting Information</i>			
<i>Regence usage/costs</i>	<i>1 active</i>	<i>August 2024</i>	<i>\$1,157.05</i>
<i>Regence usage/costs</i>	<i>171 retired</i>	<i>August 2024</i>	<i>233,214.37</i>
<i>Transfers to HCTF</i>		<i>August 2024</i>	<i>145,000.00</i>
<i>Current HCTF Balance</i>		<i>As of 08/31/2024</i>	<i>1,146,593.71</i>
<i>Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage</i>	<i>2 retirees over 65</i>	<i>August 2024 – \$432.25 each</i>	<i>864.50</i>
Service pension - (taxable)	(5)		\$5,148.07
Disability pension – non duty (taxable)	(1)		138.54
Survivor pension - (taxable)	(12)		13,056.66
Survivor pension - (non-taxable)	(37)		48,734.34
Disability pension - duty (non-taxable)	(57)		92,962.92
Total Gross Pension for 112 retirees for September 2024			\$160,040.53

Total Miscellaneous Medical Billings	\$46,991.79
GRAND TOTAL FOR PENSION AND BILLINGS	\$207,032.32

Mr. Steele moved to approve the pension fund roll items as amended. Seconded by Mr. Carman. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

There were no Claims.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no Other Business items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Steele moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Carman. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

Victoria R. Woodards

Mayor Victoria Woodards, Chairperson

Attest: *Cheri Campbell*
Cheri Campbell, Acting Secretary