

**FRUITLAND PARK MUNICIPAL FIREFIGHTERS
PENSION TRUST BOARD MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 30, 2014**

Meeting Statistics: A special meeting of the Fruitland Park Firefighter Trust Fund Board of Trustees was held at the Fire Department on September 30, 2014. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Michael Lamming at 7:04 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chuck Themm, Donald Gilpin, Jerry Elton, Michael Laming, and Diane Gibson Smith

Board Member Absent: None

Others Present: City Treasurer Tanette Gayle, City Clerk Esther Coulson,
City Attorney Scott Gerken

Consideration of Minutes of the July 8, 2014 Meeting: A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Chuck Themm and seconded by Jerry Elton. The minutes were accepted as written.

1. **Sunshine Laws and Public Records.** City Attorney Scott Gerken gave a brief presentation on the Sunshine Law and Public Records. He noted no two members should talk about any items to be voted on by the Board, the meetings are public and must be noticed. CA Gerken also stated that any notes taken may be considered public records and should be kept.

2. **Fire Pension Board Membership.** CT Gayle stated there was confusion on how board members were appointed – namely Diane Gibson Smith. She noted Ms. Gibson Smith should have been appointed by the board members and then approved by the City Commission. Jerry Elton moved to appoint Diane Gibson Smith and Chuck Themm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The two firefighter members (Michael Laming and Donald Gilpin) will also need to be appointed by the Fire Department. Jerry Elton and Chuck Themm are up for re-appointment by the City Commission. Both said they would accept re-appointment.

3. **Edward Jones Update.** CT Gayle stated former firefighter Mark Isom, Sr. will be receiving about \$91/month for 120 months out of the pension fund. CT Gayle requested guidance on where the funds should be taken. After discussion, Jerry Elton moved to have the funds be sent from the Edward Jones Investment account. Donald Gilpin seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Jerry Elton also suggested to perhaps reimburse the Edward Jones account with money from the SBOA account for this distribution.

4. **Firefighter Pension Refund Requests.** The following former members have requested lump sum payments of the funds they have paid into the pension:

- a. Kevin Gerry - \$64.17 Motion by Donald Gilpin and seconded by Jerry Elton. Unanimous approval.
- b. Leonides Gonzales - \$107.50 Motion by Michael Laming and seconded by Chuck Themm. Unanimous approval.

- c. Evan Chamberlain - \$169.17 Motion by Jerry Elton and seconded by Donald Gilpin. Unanimous approval.
- d. Brian Turner - \$264.13 Motion by Chuck Themm and seconded by Donald Gilpin. Unanimous approval.
- e. Nicholas Barrett - \$280.00 Motion by Donald Gilpin and seconded by Chuck Themm. Unanimous approval.
- f. Jackson Ford - \$35.00 Motion by Chuck Themm and seconded by Donald Gilpin. Unanimous approval.
- g. James Malloy – \$827.83 Motion by Jerry Elton and seconded by Donald Gilpin. Unanimous approval.
- h. Scott Hess - \$97.88 Motion by Donald Gilpin and seconded by Jerry Elton. Unanimous approval.

The following former members have requested lump sum payouts but qualify for retirement due to years of service:

- a. David Borst - \$13,263.44. He is able to receive this lump sum payout now upon approval by the Board. Motion by Michael Laming and seconded by Jerry Elton. Unanimous approval.
- b. Jeffrey Moore - \$5,555.28. He has requested a lump sum to be paid out when he reaches the age of 50. Motion by Donald Gilpin and seconded by Jerry Elton. Unanimous approval.

CT Gayle also stated Tommy Gamble had recently retired. She requested approval to payout his funds once the approval letter is sent from the State. Diane Gibson Smith moved and Donald Gilpin seconded to allow City Treasurer Tanette Gayle to pay Tommy Gamble the funds due to him once the approval from the State is received. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business: City Clerk Esther Coulson stated she needs Jerry Elton to sign several sets of minutes.

Board of Trustees Comments:

Next Meeting: The next meeting date is January 6, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Adjournment: Motion was made by Michael Lamming and seconded by Diane Gibson Smith to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Submitted: , Jerry Elton, Secretary