
MINUTES

Meeting of the Retirement Board of Trustees of the
FIREMEN'S ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND OF CHICAGO
20 S. Clark Street, Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60603

Regular Meeting No. 1113
Wednesday, August 23, 2023
8:30.a.m.

Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago
Board Meeting No. 1113
August 23, 2023, 8:30 a.m.
20 S. Clark Street, Suite 300, Chicago IL 60603
Agenda

1. Roll Call
 - A. Request from Members of the Public to Address the Board
 - B. 2023 Committee Assignments
2. Approval of Administrative Items * **
 - A. Approval of Minutes
 - Regular Meeting – July 24, 2023
 - Regular Meeting Executive Session– July 24, 2023
 - Investment Committee – July 17, 2023
 - Investment Committee Executive Session– July 17, 2023
 - B. Minimum Formula Annuities
 - C. Widow's and Children's Annuities
 - D. Refunds
 - E. Death Benefits
 - F. Partial Payments
 - G. Benefit Recalculations
 - H. Requests for Permission
 - I. Removals
3. Request for Approval of Payments Pursuant to Administrative and Court Order *
4. Consideration for Approval of the Following Matters * ** *Hearings beginning at 8:45 a.m.*
 - A. Ordinary Disability
 - i. Paramedic Greg Memmesheimer, Ambulance 20
 - B. Occupational Disease Disability
 - i. Fire Engineer Phillip Wyatt, Engine 38
 - ii. EMT Firefighter Robert Arens, Truck 9
 - iii. EMT FF Donald Humphrey, Engine 92 Attorney: Jerome Marconi
 - C. Duty Disability
 - i. PM Michael J. Vojtas, Detached Services Attorney: Joel Handler
 - D. Consideration and Possible Adoption of Findings of Fact
 - i. FF Kathryn Lett, Engine 86 Atty: Mark McQueary
5. Consideration for Approval of Board Physician Reviews of Disability Recipients *
6. Investment
 - A. Investment Report
 - B. MWDBE Brokerage Utilization
7. Operating and Expenses
 - A. Operating Cash
 - B. Administrative Expenses for Board Review and Possible Approval *
8. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Extension of Auditor Contract * **
 - B. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Extension of Actuarial Contract * **
9. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Fiduciary Liability Insurance Renewal * **
10. Election Update
11. Legal Update
12. Consideration for Approval of Resolution Honoring Reshma Soni
13. New Business/Old Business/Correspondence
 - A. EMWQ Contributions – July 2023
14. Adjourn

Note: All times are approximate

** Denotes Action Item*

*** Matters Discussed May Require Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act*

1. ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Daniel Fortuna, Secretary Anthony Martin, Trustees Michael Flisk, Zachary Pentek, Melissa Conyears-Ervin and Mary Sheridan

TRUSTEES ABSENT: (None)

TRUSTEES PRESENT AFTER THE START OF THE MEETING: Trustee Chasse Rehwinkel and Vice-President Anna Valencia.

OTHERS PRESENT EITHER IN PERSON OR TELEPHONICALLY: Attorneys Mary Pat Burns and Vincent Pinelli, Executive Director Kelly Weller, Fund Staff Lori Lund, Lorna Scott, Jackie Vlahos, Jerod Lockhart, Fund physicians Daniel Samo and Michael Peters, and Craig Slack and Mark Mylinski from the Treasurer's Office. Also present was retired member Dan Sheehan. The following members of the public were present for the Humphrey hearing: Gilbert Munoz, Keven Callaghan, Joseph Kerzich, Steve Wabi, Larry Anoman, Bill Humphrey, Rob Morris, Larry Berg, Jerry Shell, Mike Sullivan, Mike Phillips, Bernard Brne and Rich Vincent.

A. REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

There were no requests for Public Comment.

On motion by Martin, second by Pentek, pursuant to Section 7 of the Open Meetings Act, to allow trustees to participate remotely who were unable to attend due to personal health or work matters. The vote was:

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Sheridan

Nays: None

President Fortuna distributed the revised 2023 Committee Assignments.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

REGULAR MEETING – JULY 24, 2023

REGULAR MEETING EXECUTIVE SESSION – JULY 24, 2023

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE – JULY 17, 2023

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SESSION – JULY 17, 2023

On motion by Martin, seconded by Flisk, that the foregoing minutes be approve and that the executive session minutes remain closed. The vote was:

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Sheridan

Nays: None

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

B. MINIMUM FORMULA ANNUITIES:

On motion by Martin, second by Conyears-Ervin that the Minimum Formula Annuities under Item 2-B of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). The vote was:

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Sheridan
Nays: None

Trustee Rehwinkel entered the meeting.

C. SURVIVOR'S ANNUITIES - WIDOWS:

On motion by Martin, second Conyears-Ervin that the Widow' Annuities under Item 2-C of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). The vote was:

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

D. REFUNDS:

On motion by Martin, second by Flisk that the Refund to the Estate under Item 2-D of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). The vote was:

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

E. DEATH BENEFITS:

On motion by Martin, second by Sheridan that the Death Benefits under Item 2-E of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). The vote was:

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

F. PARTIAL PAYMENTS:

On motion by Martin, second by Conyears-Ervin, that the Partial Payments under Item 2-F of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). The vote was:

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

G. BENEFIT RECALCULATIONS: (None)

H. REQUEST FOR PERMISSION:

GUARDIANSHIP:

On motion by Martin, second by Rehwinkel, that the Request for Guardianship under Item 2-H of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). *The vote was:*

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

RESIDE OUT OF STATE:

On motion by Martin, second by Sheridan, that the Request to Reside out of State under Item 2-H of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). *The vote was:*

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

I. REMOVALS:

*On motion by Martin, seconded by Conyears-Ervin, that the Removals under Item 2-I of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). *The vote was:**

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

3. PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO ADMINISTRATIVE AND COURT ORDERS:

QILDRO ORDERS:

*On motion by Martin, seconded by Pentek, that the Payments Pursuant to Administrative and Court Order, and specifically the QILDRO Orders listed under Item 3 of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 1**). *The vote was:**

Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None

Trustee Valencia entered the meeting.

4. HEARINGS:

A. APPLICATION FOR ORDINARY DISABILITY:

18589 GREG S MEMMESHEIMER, PARAMEDIC, AMBULANCE 20

After review of the relevant records by the Board and its Physician, a hearing having been held and after due deliberation, there was a motion by Martin, second by Valencia, to grant ordinary disability benefits.

*By roll call vote **ordinary disability benefits were granted** pursuant to Illinois Compiled Statutes, 40 ILCS 5/6-152 and the express findings of the Board, in the amount of **\$3,315.94 a month, beginning July 31, 2023.** The vote was:*

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

On motion of Martin, second by Conyears-Ervin to request reexamination of Mr. Memmesheimer's disability status consistent with the Board's policy. The vote was:

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

After review of the Findings of Fact prepared by Fund counsel, on motion by Martin, second by Pentek, to adopt the Findings in the Memmesheimer matter. The vote was:

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

A. APPLICATION FOR OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE DISABILITY:

15632 PHILLIP E WYATT, FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 38

After review of the relevant records by the Board and its Physician, a hearing having been held and after due deliberation, there was a motion by Martin, second by Pentek, to grant occupational disease disability benefits.

*By roll call vote **occupational disease disability benefits were granted** pursuant to Illinois Compiled Statutes, 40 ILCS 5/6-151.1 and the express findings of the Board, in the amount of **\$6,273.59 a month and \$30.00 a month for one minor child, beginning July 11, 2023.** The vote was:*

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

On motion of Martin, second by Conyears-Ervin, to request reexamination of Mr. Wyatt's disability status consistent with the Board's policy. The vote was:

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

HEARINGS:

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE DISABILITY:

15632 PHILLIP E WYATT, FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 38

After review of the Findings of Fact prepared by Fund counsel, on motion by Martin, second by Rehwinkel, to adopt the Findings in the Wyatt matter. The vote was:

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

15675 ROBERT J ARENS, EMT FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 9

After review of the relevant records by the Board and its Physician, a hearing having been held and after due deliberation, there was a motion by Martin, second by Flisk, to grant occupational disease disability benefits.

*By roll call vote **occupational disease disability benefits were granted** pursuant to Illinois Compiled Statutes, 40 ILCS 5/6-151.1 and the express findings of the Board, in the amount of **\$6,174.79 a month and \$30.00 a month for one minor child, beginning July 15, 2023.** The vote was:*

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

On motion of Martin, second by Valencia, to request reexamination of Mr. Aren's disability status consistent with the Board's policy. The vote was:

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

After review of the Findings of Fact prepared by Fund counsel, on motion by Martin, second by Sheridan, to adopt the Findings in the Aren matter. The vote was:

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Valencia
Nays: None*

Trustee Valencia left the meeting.

HEARINGS:

On motion of Martin, second by Pentek, to go into executive session as allowed under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)4. The vote was:

*Yeas: Conyears-Ervin, Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan
Nays: None*

The Board came out of executive session and the following matter was heard.

Trustee Conyears-Ervin left the meeting.

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE DISABILITY:

16998 DONALD M HUMPHREY, EMT FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 92

After review of the relevant records by the Board and its Physician, a hearing having been held and after due deliberation, there was a motion by Martin, second by Sheridan, to grant occupational disease disability benefits.

*By roll call vote **occupational disease disability benefits were granted** pursuant to Illinois Compiled Statutes, 40 ILCS 5/6-151.1 and the express findings of the Board, in the amount of **\$5,944.04 a month and \$30.00 a month for one minor child, beginning March 10, 2023.** The vote was:*

*Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Sheridan
Nays: Rehwinkel, Slack
Not Present: Valencia*

On motion of Martin, second by Slack, to request reexamination of Mr. Humphrey's disability status consistent with the Board's policy. The vote was:

*Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None
Not Present: Valencia*

After review of the Findings of Fact prepared by Fund counsel, on motion by Martin, second by Sheridan, to adopt the Findings in the Humphrey matter. The vote was:

*Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Sheridan
Nays: Rehwinkel, Slack
Not Present: Valencia*

HEARINGS:

A. DUTY DISABILITY APPLICATIONS:

17216 MICHAEL J VOJTAS, PARAMEDIC, DETACHED SERVICES

After review of the relevant records by the Board and its Physician, a hearing having been held and after due deliberation, there was a motion by Martin, second by Pentek, to grant duty disability benefits.

*By roll call **duty disability benefits were granted** pursuant to Illinois Compiled Statutes, 40 ILCS 5/6-151 and the express findings of the Board, in the amount of **\$6,479.75 a month and \$30.00 a month each for two minor children, beginning May 7, 2023.** The vote was:*

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None
Not Present: Valencia

On motion of Martin, second by Sheridan to request reexamination of Mr. Vojtas's disability status consistent with the Board's policy. The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None
Not Present: Valencia

After review of the Findings of Fact prepared by Fund counsel, on motion by Martin, second by Pentek, to adopt the Findings in the Vojtas matter. The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None
Not Present: Valencia

9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FIDUCIARY AND CYBER LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL:

On motion of Martin, second by Rehwinkel, to approve the renewal of the fiduciary liability insurance on the terms presented. The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None

On motion of Martin, second by Pentek to approve the renewal of the cyber liability insurance on the terms presented. The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None

HEARINGS:

C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF FINDINGS OF FACT:

19819 KATHRYN M LETT, FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 86

After review of the Findings of Fact prepared by Fund counsel in support of the denial of duty disability benefits, on motion by Martin, second by Sheridan, to adopt the Findings in the Lett matter. The vote was:

*Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None
Not Present: Valencia*

5. APPROVAL OF BOARD PHYSICIAN REVIEWS OF DISABILITY RECIPIENTS:

On motion by Martin, second by Rehwinkel, to approve the Board Physician's recommendations for reexamination scheduling, with the amendment to the recommendation as noted during the meeting. The vote was:

*Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None*

6. INVESTMENT:

- A. INVESTMENT REPORT:
- B. MWD BE BROKERAGE UTILIZATION:

The Fund's CIO presented the Investment Report. The Fund's Investment Consultant, Brady O'Connell presented the 2nd Quarter Summary. No action was taken.

7. OPERATING CASH AND EXPENSES:

- A. OPERATING CASH:
- B. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR BOARD REVIEW AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL:
- C. UPDATE REGARDING THE CITY'S OFFER TO PROVIDE ADVANCED PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PAYMENT YEAR 2023:

*On motion by Martin, seconded by Pentek, that the Expenditures for Administrative Expenses under Item 7-A of the Board materials be approved (**Exhibit 2**). The vote was:*

*Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack
Nays: None*

The Executive Director and the Fund's Comptroller updated the Board with regard to the City's Offer to provide advanced pension contributions. No action was taken.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

A. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EXTENSION OF AUDITOR CONTRACT:

B. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EXTENSION OF ACTUARIAL CONTRACT:

On motion of Martin, second by Slack, to approve a one-year extension of the auditor contract with Legacy, on the terms presented subject to legal review. The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack

Nays: None

On motion of Martin, second by Slack, to approve a one-year extension of the actuarial contract with Segal, on the terms presented subject to legal review. The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack

Nays: None

10. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

The Legislative Report was distributed to the Board. No action was taken.

11. LEGAL UPDATE:

The Legal Status Report was distributed to the Board for review. No action was taken.

12. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION HONORING RESHMA SONI:

On motion by Martin, second by Flisk, to adopt the resolution honoring former Trustee Reshma Soni and spread it upon the public record (Exhibit 3). The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack

Nays: None

13. NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE:

A. EMWQ CONTRIBUTIONS – JULY 2023:

The July donations made to the EMWQ Charity Fund were distributed to the Board. No action was taken.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL RELATED TO PERSONNEL MATTERS:

On motion of Martin, second by Pentek, to go into executive session as allowed under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)1. The vote was:

Yeas: Flisk, Fortuna, Martin, Pentek, Rehwinkel, Sheridan, Slack

Nays: None

The Board came out of executive session and the meeting was adjourned.

14. ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

EXHIBIT 1

1. **ROLL CALL:**
 - A. **REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**
 - B. **2023 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:**
2. **APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**
 - A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - REGULAR MEETING - JULY 24, 2023:**
 - REGULAR MEETING EXECUTIVE SESSION - JULY 24, 2023:**
 - INVESTMENT COMMITTEE - JULY 17, 2023:**
 - INVESTMENT COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SESSION - JULY 17, 2023:**
 - B. **RETIREMENT ANNUITIES:**
 - MINIMUM FORMULA ANNUITIES:**

15690 JOHN E COOPER, EMT CAPTAIN, FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU SOUTH

Ent CFD:	12/01/1997	\$7,560.17	beginning 07/13/2023
Retired:	07/13/2023	\$226.81	based on 65% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 08/01/2024

- REFUND **\$414.05** FOR 2006 & 2020 EID

14623 MELVIN C COSEY, FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 61

Ent CFD:	07/18/1992	\$6,914.73	beginning 07/21/2023
Retired:	07/21/2023	\$207.44	based on 75% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 08/01/2024

15471 JOSEPH A FREELS, CAPTAIN, 2ND DISTRICT RELIEF

Ent CFD:	02/02/1996	\$7,547.39	beginning 07/07/2023
Retired:	07/07/2023	\$226.42	based on 70% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 08/01/2024

15800 JOHN HOLLAND, LIEUTENANT PARAMEDIC, TOWER LADDER 53

Ent CFD:	06/01/2000	\$5,965.96	beginning 05/16/2023
Retired:	05/16/2023	\$178.98	based on 57.5% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 10/01/2025

14204 PAUL G JEDRZEJAK, EMT LIEUTENANT, ENGINE 109

Ent CFD:	12/03/1990	\$8,590.15	beginning 07/24/2023
Retired:	07/24/2023	\$257.70	based on 75% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 08/01/2024

13463 REED T REILLY, FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 45, Duty Disability since 01/15/2010

Ent CFD:	08/03/1987	\$6,921.50	beginning 08/15/2023
Retired:	08/15/2023	\$207.65	based on 75% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 09/01/2024

- REFUND **\$204.69** FOR 2006 & 2011 EID

**B. RETIREMENT ANNUITIES:
MINIMUM FORMULA ANNUITIES:**

EXHIBIT 1

16673 STEPHEN J SAWYER, FIREFIGHTER, LOGISTICS

Ent CFD:	02/01/2005	\$4,086.63	beginning 07/20/2023
Retired:	07/20/2023	\$122.60	based on 48% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 08/01/2024

- COLLECT **\$117.86** FOR 2015 EID

15069 TERRY M VAN ARKEL, CAPTAIN PARAMEDIC, AIR SEA RESCUE

Ent CFD:	06/17/1996	\$8,931.29	beginning 07/24/2023
Retired:	07/24/2023	\$267.94	based on 70% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 08/01/2024

16432 RONALD WILSON, FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 14

Ent CFD:	10/01/2003	\$4,273.58	beginning 07/05/2023
Retired:	07/05/2023	\$128.21	based on 50% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 08/01/2024

- REFUND **\$31,774.46** FOR NO SPOUSE REFUND SPOUSE CONTRIBUTIONS

**C. SURVIVOR ANNUITIES:
WIDOW'S ANNUITIES:**

09687 LINDA CALLAHAN, widow of DANIEL J CALLAHAN, Retired since 11/07/2007
 Ent CFD: 09/02/1969 **\$5,277.49** beginning 07/06/2023
 Deceased: 07/05/2023

12479 DEBORAH FAGEL, widow of RAYMOND G KOLASA, Retired since 11/30/2012
 Ent CFD: 03/04/1977 **\$5,276.50** beginning 07/22/2023
 Deceased: 07/21/2023

08981 MARY ANN FITZPATRICK, widow of KEVIN FITZPATRICK, Retired since 11/30/2000
 Ent CFD: 05/01/1966 **\$3,473.86** beginning 07/15/2023
 Deceased: 07/14/2023

17553 LATOYA HAYES, widow of WILBERT B HAYES, EMT FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 16
 Ent CFD: 03/03/2009 **\$2,508.20** beginning 07/31/2023
 Deceased: 07/30/2023

10476 CAROL INGRAM, widow of VERNON INGRAM, Retired since 10/16/2006
 Ent CFD: 03/01/1977 **\$4,619.79** beginning 07/07/2023
 Deceased: 07/06/2023

13116 SANDRA LOVE, widow of ROBERT J LOVE III, Retired since 11/30/2016
 Ent CFD: 11/01/1986 **\$5,042.88** beginning 07/20/2023
 Deceased: 07/19/2023

10719 MELINDA MITROVIC, widow of MILAN MITROVIC, Retired since 03/07/2013
 Ent CFD: 10/16/1978 **\$3,628.89** beginning 05/25/2023
 Deceased: 05/24/2023

08281 PATRICIA A STAPLETON, widow of STEPHEN W STAPLETON, Retired since 12/29/1993
 Ent CFD: 07/01/1961 **\$2,815.94** beginning 07/27/2023
 Deceased: 07/26/2023

13053 CAROLINE YOUNG, widow of RONALD L YOUNG, Retired since 11/25/2016
 Ent CFD: 07/16/1986 **\$4,275.21** beginning 07/08/2023
 Deceased: 07/07/2023

Mailing of payment pending receipt of corrected application (Notary Signature)

D. REFUNDS:

EXHIBIT 1

REFUNDS OF CONTRIBUTIONS:

14604 RICHARD T WHITEHEAD, EMT FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 25, Retired since 11/22/2022
 Ent CFD: 09/01/1993 **\$49,403.17** Refund of Spousal Contributions
 \$14,821.11 to TEMIRAH LOTT, QILDRO Portion

17265 MICHAEL A BRAY, EMT FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 34
 Ent CFD: 02/19/2008 **\$130,936.77** Refund of Contributions
 DISCHARGED 03/31/2022

19509 ORLANDER K NORTHERN, PARAMEDIC, ACADEMY
 Ent CFD: 11/01/2019 **\$3,060.74** Refund of Contributions
 RESIGNATION 03/22/2021

09160 EDWARD F FREEMON, CAPTAIN, ENGINE 10, Retired from 06/30/1987 to 11/15/2022
 Ent CFD: 10/16/1966 **\$2,507.50** Refund of Unpaid Contributions in Account of Deceased FF
 to LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF EDWARD F FREEMON,
 THERESA PESOLI, EXECUTRIX
 Deceased: 11/15/2022

E. DEATH BENEFITS:

07001 JOHN M BIRMINGHAM, FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 31, Retired from 08/15/1988 to 06/23/2023
 Ent CFD: 09/19/1955 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to JANICE STEWART, DAUGHTER
 Deceased: 06/23/2023

08711 WILLIAM F CALKINS, LIEUTENANT, ENGINE 7, Retired from 11/15/2000 to 07/09/2023
 Ent CFD: 08/01/1964 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to PATRICK RAYMOND CALKINS, SON
 Deceased: 07/09/2023

09687 DANIEL J CALLAHAN, BATTALION CHIEF, 15TH BATTALION, Retired from 11/07/2007 to 07/05/2023
 Ent CFD: 09/02/1969 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to LINDA CALLAHAN, WIFE
 Deceased: 07/05/2023

08981 KEVIN FITZPATRICK, FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 32, Retired from 11/30/2000 to 07/14/2023
 Ent CFD: 05/01/1966 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to MARY ANN FITZPATRICK, WIFE
 Deceased: 07/14/2023

17553 WILBERT B HAYES, EMT FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 16
 Ent CFD: 03/03/2009 **\$12,000.00** \$12,000.00 to LATOYA HAYES, WIFE
 Deceased: 07/30/2023

10476 VERNON INGRAM, CAPTAIN, ENGINE 70, Retired from 10/16/2006 to 07/06/2023
 Ent CFD: 03/01/1977 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to CAROL LYNN INGRAM, WIFE
 Deceased: 07/06/2023

12479 RAYMOND G KOLASA, PARAMEDIC FIELD CHIEF, 4-5-4, Retired from 11/30/2012 to 07/21/2023
 Ent CFD: 03/04/1977 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to DEBORAH E FAGEL, WIFE
 Deceased: 07/21/2023

13116 ROBERT J LOVE III, EMT CAPTAIN, TRUCK 40, Retired from 11/30/2016 to 07/19/2023
 Ent CFD: 11/01/1986 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to SANDRA B LOVE, WIFE
 Deceased: 07/19/2023

10719 MILAN MITROVIC, FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 2, Retired from 03/07/2013 to 05/24/2023
 Ent CFD: 10/16/1978 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to MELINDA MARIE MITROVIC, WIFE
 Deceased: 05/24/2023

07361 JOHN W RAE, CAPTAIN, ENGINE 71, Retired from 09/10/1993 to 07/02/2023
 Ent CFD: 02/16/1956 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to LORI GRAY, STEP-DAUGHTER
 Deceased: 07/02/2023

E. DEATH BENEFITS:

EXHIBIT 1

08281 STEPHEN W STAPLETON, FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 92, Retired from 12/29/1993 to 07/26/2023

Ent CFD: 07/01/1961 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to PATRICIA ANN STAPLETON, WIFE
Deceased: 07/26/2023

13053 RONALD L YOUNG, LIEUTENANT, TRUCK 40, Retired from 11/25/2016 to 07/07/2023

Ent CFD: 07/16/1986 **\$6,000.00** \$6,000.00 to CAROLINE YOUNG, WIFE
Deceased: 07/07/2023

Mailing of payment pending receipt of corrected application (Notary Signature)

F. PARTIAL PAYMENTS:

EXHIBIT 1

07001 JOHN M BIRMINGHAM, Retired from 08/15/1988 to 06/23/2023
Deceased: 06/23/2023 **\$3,452.66** \$3,452.66 to JANICE STEWART, DAUGHTER

07748 DOROTHY CLARE BRENNAN, Widow's Annuity from 02/26/1995 to 05/12/2023
Deceased: 05/12/2023 **\$742.23** \$742.23 to THOMAS BRENNAN, SON

09687 DANIEL J CALLAHAN, Retired from 11/07/2007 to 07/05/2023
Deceased: 07/05/2023 **\$1,702.41** \$1,702.41 to LINDA CALLAHAN, WIFE

08981 KEVIN FITZPATRICK, Retired from 11/30/2000 to 07/14/2023
Deceased: 07/14/2023 **\$3,137.68** \$3,137.68 to MARY ANN FITZPATRICK, WIFE

10476 VERNON INGRAM, Retired from 10/16/2006 to 07/06/2023
Deceased: 07/06/2023 **\$1,788.30** \$1,788.30 to CAROL LYNN INGRAM, WIFE

10397 WILLIAM H JACKSON, Retired from 07/13/2000 to 07/24/2023
Deceased: 07/24/2023 **\$3,063.39** \$3,063.39 to LAVETTA HUNT, DAUGHTER

07325 WILLIAM KENNEY, Retired from 11/29/1996 to 07/07/2021
Deceased: 07/07/2021 **\$1,627.29** \$1,627.29 to MARY ELLEN KULIG, INDEPENDENT
ADMINISTRATOR

12479 RAYMOND G KOLASA, Retired from 11/30/2012 to 07/21/2023
Deceased: 07/21/2023 **\$7,148.80** \$7,148.80 to DEBORAH E FAGEL, WIFE

06385 MARY L KORANDA, Widow's Annuity from 08/20/1999 to 06/14/2023
Deceased: 06/14/2023 **\$850.50** \$850.50 to RICHARD KORANDA, SON

13116 ROBERT J LOVE III, Retired from 11/30/2016 to 07/19/2023
Deceased: 07/19/2023 **\$6,181.59** \$6,181.59 to SANDRA B LOVE, WIFE

07361 JOHN W RAE, Retired from 09/10/1993 to 07/02/2023
Deceased: 07/02/2023 **\$453.19** \$453.19 to LORI GRAY, STEP-DAUGHTER

13053 RONALD L YOUNG, Retired from 11/25/2016 to 07/07/2023
Deceased: 07/07/2023 **\$1,930.74** \$1,930.74 to CAROLINE YOUNG, WIFE

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G. BENEFIT RECALCULATIONS: (NONE)**H. REQUEST FOR PERMISSION:****GUARDIANSHIP:**

- 07142 VERLEE J BUCHHOLZ BY JANET PETRIELLI, DAUGHTER
Widow's Annuity since 07/19/2005
Power of Attorney and Doctor's letter on file.
- 16867 MIGUEL HERNANDEZ BY JESSICA HERNANDEZ, DAUGHTER
Ordinary Disability since 05/20/2023
Court Letters of Guardianship on file.

RESIDE OUT OF STATE:

- 15304 DAVID J WELSH, Duty Disability since 03/23/2012.
Note: Request is for relocation to Canada

I. REMOVALS:

ROBERT J LOVE III	Annuity	Died 07/19/2023
RAYMOND G KOLASA	Annuity	Died 07/21/2023
JOHN J BRENNAN SR	Annuity	Died 07/26/2023
MARY F CLANCY	Widow's Annuity	Died 07/21/2023
WILBERT B HAYES	Active	Died 07/30/2023
DOROTHY SIMMONS	Widow's Annuity	Died 07/16/2023
MAUREEN M ZIEGLER	Comp Widow's Annuity	Died 07/26/2023
ANTHONY A MARTIN	Annuity	Died 08/05/2023
MAUREEN F MCCORMICK	Widow's Annuity	Died 08/06/2023
JOHN J SHEEHAN	Annuity	Died 08/03/2023
DARREN J VERDERBER	Active	Died 08/06/2023
MARY ANN CERNY	Widow's Annuity	Died 08/03/2023
STEPHEN W STAPLETON	Annuity	Died 07/26/2023
RONALD A WONSOWICZ	Annuity	Died 08/08/2023
JOYCE GORDON	Widow's Annuity	Died 08/11/2023
BARBARA ROACH	Child's Annuity	Died 08/04/2023
SHEILA MCCORMICK	Widow's Annuity	Died 08/11/2023
KEVIN P OMALLEY	Annuity	Died 07/04/2023
KIMBERLY O PARKER	Duty Disability	Retired 07/08/2023
GEOVANNI A FIERRO	Ordinary Disability	07/24/2023
MICHAEL V JEKOT	Duty Disability	Retired 07/30/2023

3. PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO ADMINISTRATIVE AND COURT ORDERS:

EXHIBIT 1

QILDRO:

- 014173 GEORGE CARR Minimum Formula Annuity since 11/23/2021
ENTER
Order: 2008 D 008961 Date Entered: 07/12/2023
Effective: 08/01/2023 Amount: \$895.16 for portion of Death Benefit
Payable to DELORES CARR
- 014173 GEORGE CARR Minimum Formula Annuity since 11/23/2021
ENTER
Order: 2008 D 008961 Date Entered: 07/12/2023
Effective: 08/01/2003 Amount: \$1,399.08 per Month
plus a portion of all future automatic increases
Payable to DELORES CARR
- 014604 RICHARD T WHITEHEAD Minimum Formula Annuity since 11/22/2022
ENTER **CALCULATION ORDER FINALIZED**
Order: 17D1231 Date Entered: July 19, 2023
Effective: 01/01/2023 Amount: \$1,800.00 for portion of Death Benefit
Payable to TEMIRAH LOTT
- 014604 RICHARD T WHITEHEAD Minimum Formula Annuity since 11/22/2022
ENTER **CALCULATION ORDER FINALIZED**
Order: 17D1231 Date Entered: July 19, 2023
Effective: 01/01/2023 Amount: \$14,821.11 for portion of Spousal Contributions
Payable to TEMIRAH LOTT
- 014604 RICHARD T WHITEHEAD Minimum Formula Annuity since 11/22/2022
ENTER **CALCULATION ORDER FINALIZED**
Order: 17D1231 Date Entered: July 19, 2023
Effective: 01/01/2023 Amount: \$2,177.36 per Month
plus a portion of all future automatic increases
Payable to TEMIRAH LOTT
- 015597 JOEL E MARKIEWICZ Minimum Formula Annuity since 11/28/2022
ENTER
Order: 2018 D 9742 Date Entered: 07/13/2023
Effective: 08/01/2023 Amount: \$2,223.78 for portion of Death Benefit
Payable to MICHELLE MARKIEWICZ
- 015597 JOEL E MARKIEWICZ Minimum Formula Annuity since 11/28/2022
ENTER
Order: 2018 D 9742 Date Entered: 07/13/2023
Effective: 08/01/2023 Amount: \$2,445.13 per Month
plus a portion of all future automatic increases
Payable to MICHELLE MARKIEWICZ

4. HEARINGS:

EXHIBIT 1

A. ORDINARY DISABILITY APPLICATIONS:

18589 GREG S MEMMESHEIMER, PARAMEDIC, AMBULANCE 20

Ent CFD: 12/16/2014 **\$3,315.94** beginning 07/31/2023**B. OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE DISABILITY APPLICATIONS:**

15632 PHILLIP E WYATT, FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 38

Ent CFD: 02/16/1999 **\$6,273.59** beginning 07/11/2023
\$30.00 a month for 1 minor child, ALEXANDER

15675 ROBERT J ARENS, EMT FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 9

Ent CFD: 12/01/1999 **\$6,174.79** beginning 07/15/2023
\$30.00 a month for 1 minor child, BRINLEY

16998 DONALD M HUMPHREY, EMT FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 92

Ent CFD: 02/01/2006 **\$5,944.04** beginning 03/10/2023
\$30.00 a month for 1 minor child, DELIA

Attorney: Jerome Marconi

C. DUTY DISABILITY APPLICATIONS:

17216 MICHAEL J VOJTAS, PARAMEDIC, DETACHED SERVICES

Ent CFD: 12/17/2007 **\$6,479.75** beginning 05/07/2023
\$30.00 a month each for 2 minor children, PAYTON, NOLAN

Attorney: Joel Handler

Witnesses: PIC Fletcher Prestige, Ambulance 2
AC Michelle Polanco, Retired**D. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF FINDINGS OF FACT:**

19819 KATHRYN M. LETT, FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 86

Attorney: Mark McQuery

5. **CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL OF BOARD PHYSICIAN REVIEWS OF DISABILITY RECIPIENTS:**

6. **INVESTMENT:**
 - A. INVESTMENT REPORT:
 - B. MWDBE BROKERAGE UTILIZATION:

7. **OPERATING AND EXPENSES:**
 - A. OPERATING CASH:
 - B. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR BOARD REVIEW AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL:
 - C. UPDATE REGARDING THE CITY'S OFFER TO PROVIDE ADVANCED PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PAYMENT YEAR 2023:

8. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**
 - A. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EXTENSION OF AUDITOR CONTRACT:
 - B. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EXTENSION OF ACTUARIAL CONTRACT:
 - C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL RELATED TO PERSONNEL MATTERS:

9. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FIDUCIARY AND CYBER LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL:**

10. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:**

11. **LEGAL UPDATE:**

12. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION HONORING RESHMA SONI:**

13. **NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE:**
 - A. EMWQ CONTRIBUTIONS – JULY 2023:

14. **ADJOURN:**

8-23 Administrative Expenses for Board Review and Approval

EXHIBIT 2

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
CONSOLIDATED PRINTING COMPANY	ACTIVE MEMBER CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS	\$1,266.00
CUSTOM CASE MANAGEMENT	MEDICAL REVIEW CASES	\$599.14
Garvey's Office Products	7/23 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$179.04
GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL	8/23 PRINTER INSURANCE	\$3,139.69
LASALLE CONSULTING PARTNERS	5/23-6/23 IT SAFETY EDUCATION SUBSCRIPTION	\$100.00
MCI	#800 SERVICE FEE	\$69.99
SOT SOUTH CLARK LLC	8/23 OFFICE LEASE	\$23,069.17
CHICAGO TRIBUNE	6/23 - 9/23 SUBSCRIPTION	\$150.99
COMCAST BUSINESS	7/23 - 8/23 OFFICE PHONE	\$1,636.41
CUSTOM CASE MANAGEMENT	MEDICAL REVIEW CASES	\$2,101.57
FEDEX	7/23 SHIPPING	\$217.31
SHRED IT USA	7/23 SHREDDING SERVICE	\$234.64
LORNA SCOTT	REIMBURSEMENT CFA ANNUAL FEE	\$499.00
JMK ENTERPRISES II INC	2022 ANNUAL CLOSE FOR GP SOFTWARE	\$277.50
ACCESS	8/23 STORAGE	\$1,291.05
COMMONWEALTH EDISON	7/23 ELECTRIC SERVICE	\$326.32
CUSTOM CASE MANAGEMENT	MEDICAL REVIEW CASES	\$2,825.88
CONSOLIDATED PRINTING COMPANY	#10 ENVELOPES	\$1,610.98
DEBBIE TYRRELL	7/24/23 TRANSCRIPTS	\$1,209.50
EDOT	ANNUAL UCC CERTIFICATION	\$84.99
FIRM 17	7/23 WEB DESIGN	\$1,900.00
LEGACY PROFESSIONALS LLP	2022 AUDIT FEE	\$51,450.00
PHELPS BARRY & ASSOCIATES LLC	7/23 LOBBYIST FEE	\$2,000.00
US POSTMASTER	REPLENISH POSTAGE MACHINE	\$15,000.00
COGENT COMMUNICATIONS	8/23 INTERNET	\$351.05
DANIEL FORTUNA	REIMBURSEMENT FOR CONFERENCE-CALLAN	\$647.82
GARVEY'S OFFICE PRODUCTS	8/23 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$258.09
COMCAST BUSINESS	8/23 OFFICE PHONE	\$104.86
HINCKLEY SPRINGS	7/23 WATER AND COFFEE	\$408.67
CHASE CARD SERVICES	6/28/23 - 7/27/23 CHARGES	\$6,675.24
EDOT	9/23 IT MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	\$4,175.30
BURKE BURNS & PINELLI LTD	7/23 LEGAL SERVICES	\$20,995.70

Credit Card Detail

6/28/23-7/27/23

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
7/6/23	Crains	Annual Subscription	129.00
7/7/2023	ParkChirp	Parking Passes	465.00
7/7/2023	Illinois Secretary of State	Certification Fee	3.00
7/12/2023	Photo Print	Administrative Picture Fee	3.50
7/14/2023	Walgreens	Printing of Trustee Picture	15.42
7/19/2023	Firecakes	Board Meeting Breakfast	37.94
7/18/2023	Goddess & The Baker	Board Meeting Breakfast	123.10
7/19/2023	Walgreens	Board Meeting Supplies	67.17
6/29/2023	Potbelly	Staff Luncheon- New Staff Welcome	156.46
7/3/2023	Amazon	Office Supplies	33.04
7/8/2023	Amazon	Office Supplies	30.48
7/11/2023	LinkedIn	Monthly Subscription	59.99
7/12/2023	Zoom	Monthly Subscription	294.28
7/26/2023	Github	Monthly Subscription	4.00
7/24/2023	Google	Monthly Subscription	79.56
7/25/2023	NCPERS	Las Vegas Conference Registration	750.00
7/25/2023	NCPERS	Las Vegas Conference Additional Sessions-pending refund	2,565.00
7/25/2023	Southwest	NCPERS-Las Vegas- Trustee Travel	707.96
7/18/2023	Wall Street Journal	Monthly Subscription	38.99
7/1/2023	Njevity Inc	Monthly Subscription	511.00
7/27/2023	UnitedHealthCare	Employee Health Care 8/23-12/23	519.50
6/28/2023	Chicago Sun Times	Monthly Subscription	65.86
7/14/2023	Amazon	Prime Membership	14.99
			<u>6,675.24</u>

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EXHIBIT 3

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EX-OFFICIO TRUSTEES
City Clerk, Vice-President, ANNA VALENCIA
City Treasurer, MELISSA CONYEARS-ERVIN
City Comptroller, CHASSE REHWINKEL
First Deputy Fire Commissioner, MARY SHERIDAN

RESOLUTION HONORING RESHMA SONI

WHEREAS, with heavy hearts at our loss, tempered by gratitude for the dedicated and generous public service of a valued colleague, the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago ("Fund"), its Board of Trustees ("Trustees"), and Staff wish to thank Reshma Soni for her dedicated service as a Trustee of the Fund; and

WHEREAS, Reshma Soni, by virtue of her position as Comptroller of the City of Chicago, was first appointed to the position of trustee in July 2019; and as a trustee of the Fund for nearly 4 years, served faithfully and diligently in many capacities, including being appointed Chairman of the Budget Committee and serving on numerous committees including the Legal and Investment Committees; and

WHEREAS, Reshma Soni, throughout her tenure as a trustee of the Fund, dedicated her focus and efforts to ensuring the Fund's administrative budgets were objective, reasonable and consistent with state law and to safeguarding the Fund's assets by assisting the Fund in maintaining a systematic, disciplined, rational process to attaining the best possible return on assets through investments while preserving the Fund's financial integrity; and

WHEREAS, Reshma Soni undertook her responsibilities as a fiduciary in a tireless and serious manner, always showing and maintaining respect and kindness to her colleagues, Fund staff and all members of the Fund; never wavering in her commitment to act in the best interests of the Fund and its members; and

WHEREAS, we will miss our friend and colleague, we also take comfort in knowing that Reshma Soni and her family will enjoy happiness and success in her future endeavors; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, on this 23rd day of August, 2023, the Trustees, Staff and all Active and Annuitant members of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago wish to honor and thank Reshma Soni for her dedication to the Fund and its participants. We will miss her knowledge, her professionalism, and her uncompromising commitment to protect the Fund and its participants.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in order that all may know of the esteem and honor in which this Fund, its Trustees, Staff and Participants hold Reshma Soni, that this Resolution be entered on the permanent record of this Fund and that a copy of this Resolution be suitably engraved and presented to Reshma Soni as a token of our respect and gratitude for her valued service to the Fund, and its Trustees, Staff and Participants.

Daniel Fortuna
Fund President

Anthony Martin
Fund Secretary