



**CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION
COLORADO**

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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CHIEF OF POLICE

October 8, 1954

POLICE PENSION BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 8, 1954 - 8:45 AM

A meeting of the Police Pension Board was held at 8:45 AM, October 8, 1954, in the Office of City Clerk, Helen Tomlinson at the Grand Junction City Hall, 5th and Rood Ave.

Present were City Manager Toyne, President of the Pension Board, Fred E. Hagie, Treasurer, Henry M. Patterson Secretary and Mrs. Helen Tomlinson, Pension Board member.

The case of Joe W. Keith Chief of Police was taken up. Chief Keith has made a request for temporary disability due to a heart and jaundiced condition. A letter from Dr. Kenneth Prescott was read which explained the condition of Chief Keith.

After hearing the above mentioned letter a motion was made by Helen Tomlinson that Chief Keith be granted temporary disability. This motion was seconded by Fred E. Hagie and was passed by unanimous vote.

It was agreed that Chief Keith be paid his disability effective October 8, 1954.

Respectfully signed,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry M. Patterson".

Henry M. Patterson
Secretary

City of Grand Junction

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October 5, 1954

Honorable Members of Police Pension Board

City of Grand Junction

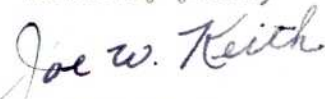
Grand Junction, Colorado

Dear Members of the Board:

Please accept this as my application for temporary disability under our Police Pension System.

Thanking you for any consideration that you may give this matter, I remain

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe W. Keith". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Joe W. Keith

KENNETH E. PRESCOTT, M. D.
1115 MAIN STREET
GRAND JUNCTION, COLO.

October 6, 1954

Mr. W.D. Toyne, Pres.
Policeman Pension Board
Grand Junction, Colorado.

RE. Joe Keith
Chief of Police
Grand Junction
Colorado

Gentlemen;

On or about July 12, 1954 the named was taken ill. He thought that he was having another mild heart attack, but kept on working. His stomach was upset. He vomited a lot. He had attempted to continue working. I think that because he worked too long his illness became more serious than it otherwise would have.

On July 15, 1954 he was instructed to enter St. Marys Hospital. Rest and treatment relieved the heart symptoms.

On July 17, 1954, he began to be jaundiced. A diagnosis of acute hepatitis or yellow jaundice super imposed upon his carditis was made.

He was at St. Marys Hospital from July 15, to July 27th. Since then he has been instructed not to work.

It is my opinion that Mr. Keith attempted to stay on the job too long after his initial symptoms started, that his effort to work aggravated the hepatitis to a place where it will take quite a long time for him to convalesce.

On August 27, 1954, I presented the opinion that he would be able to work again in 60 or 90 days. Because of his present physical condition I think he should refrain for an indefinite period from doing any work that would exact mental duress or physical effort.

With proper continued care, I think he will be able to resume his position again, but at the present I do not desire to prognosticate a date.

Signed



Kenneth E. Prescott, M.D.

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