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FIRE PENSION BOARD

A meeting of the Fire Pension Board was called to order at 9:10 a.m. on January 15, 1980 in the Personnel Director's office. Members present were: John Tasker, Jane Quimby, Mike Petersen, Fred Knowles, Gary Tharp and Claudia Smith. Also present was Jeanne Herring.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The meeting opened with Chairman Gary Tharp asking members if they had read the letters submitted from Jack Brandhorst's attorney and his physician. Chairman Tharp then asked members if there was any discussion regarding this matter. Fred Knowles stated that he knew of a physician in San Diego that could examine Mr. Brandhorst or could refer him to another physician. After discussion, Claudia Smith stated she had talked to Gerald Ashby in this regard and it was his recommendation that the Board stop pursuing this matter since letters had been received by physicians stating Mr. Brandhorst is totally disabled. There was much discussion and Fred Knowles made a motion that Mr. Brandhorst's attorney be contacted and requested to supply the Board with medical tests and results of same which were performed on Mr. Brandhorst to determine his current physical condition. These results are to be submitted to the Board no later than January 30, 1980. Mr. Brandhorst's attorney is also to be notified that the hearing regarding this case has been postponed until February 4, 1980 at 9:00 a.m. After more discussion, the motion was seconded by Mike Petersen and carried unanimously.

The next matter brought before the Board was the medical report received from Dr. Patterson in regards to Gregory Hazelhurst. There was much discussion regarding this disability retirement request. Fred Knowles stated that he had some problems with Greg's request as he felt it would open the door for other members of the department to file for a disbility retirement as he knew of several others currently within the department with back problems to some degree. It was pointed out that each case must be looked at individually as Board members have no way of knowing to what degree a person may be suffering. Claudia Smith questioned Board members about the City's liability in reference to re-assigning employees to jobs which might precipitate or aggravate further physical injury. After much discussion, Jane Quimby stated that at some time the Board would have to start accepting the opinion of the physician(s) which the Board members had selected to send persons to for examination. Jane Quimby stated she felt R.T. Mantlo should be contacted to see if there was some other position within the department which Mr. Hazelhurst could perform. Jane made a motion that R.T. be contacted and asked to submit to the Board a letter of commitment regarding a reassignment of position for Greg. Claudia Smith added that all letters which had been submitted by doctors should also be taken into account by R.T. prior to his making any decision. Said letter of commitment is to be completed prior to the January 22 meeting. This motion was seconded by John Tasker and all were in favor.

Claudia Smith submitted bills which had been received in regards to the examination on Greg Hazelhurst. John Tasker made a motion that the bills be paid; this motion was seconded by Jane Quimby and all were in favor.

Claudia Smith asked Board members if they had reviewed the list of fire pension recipients and the monthly amounts of their pension payment. Claudia stated the only addition to the list was Jerrel Capps. The list was reviewed by Board members; Fred Knowles made a motion that the list be approved and sent to Mark Metzger, First National Bank, for 1980 up-dates. This motion was seconded by Jane Quimby; all were in favor.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Herring Secretary