

# **Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2**

Meeting – Thursday, June 8, 2023  
7:00 p.m.

## ***Minutes***

**Call to Order** by President Walter Powers – 7:07 p.m.

**Opening Prayer** by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

### **Roll Call of Officers**

13 Present  
1 Absent (Livaccari, Lentz)

### **Reading of previous meetings minutes**

Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes and approve them as published by Jim Gallagher.  
Motion seconded by Willie Jenkins.  
Motion carried.

### **Correspondence**

The lodge sent letters to the following beneficiaries along with a check representing the death benefit provided by our lodge:

Bruce and Brad Glaudi, sons of Benjamin Glaudi — \$1,000/each  
Carolyn Ann Pennino, wife of John Pennino — \$2,000

The lodge received a card of thanks for assisting with the Boy Scouts.

## Officer/Committee Reports

### *President's Report – Walter Powers*

Brother Powers recognized National Trustee Kelly Gibson and State Secretary Ronald Labarriere who were in attendance at tonight's meeting. He also recognized special birthdays this month and gave an update on the increase in state pay at the state legislature.

### *Vice President's Report – Chris Landry*

Brother Landry recapped his recent activity and advised that he is working on providing water service to the academy range facilities in New Orleans East.

### *Financial Report – Secretary- Treasurer James Gallagher*

Report Recap – balances as of 5/31/23:

Regions Checking Account	\$158,396.77
Treasury Direct I-Series Savings Bond	\$10,592.00
Treasury Direct 2YR Treasury Notes	\$20,000.00
Home Bank CD (11 month)	\$50,426.35
Home Bank CD (17 month)	\$50,426.35
LAFOP Foundation Chase (Family Fund)	\$75,381.32
LAFOP Foundation Chase (Millage)	\$152,731.06
LAFOP Foundation 1 <sup>st</sup> Horizon (Millage)	\$236,083.78
Lodge 2 Checking Account Balances	\$158,396.77
Lodge 2 Savings Account Balances	\$131,444.70
Lodge 2 Foundation Account Balances	\$464,196.16
Total Cash Assets with Millage Suit Funds	\$754,037.63

Fund Balances as of 5/31/2023:

General Fund	\$31,292.00
Legal Fund	\$30,926.18
Delegate Fund	\$108,000.62
Death Benefit Fund	\$60,831.68
Savings Fund	\$134,172.31
Normal Fund Balances	\$365,222.79
FOP Millage Suit Fund	\$388,814.84

Total Fund Balances \$754,037.63

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to approve the Financial Report by Bobby O'Brien.  
Motion seconded by Pat Childress.

Motion carried.

Brother Gallagher discussed the National Conference to be held in Las Vegas, NV at the MGM Grand Hotel & Casino. All hotel reservations for delegates will be handled by the Lodge. The lodge is paying room, tax, and resort fee plus \$600 travel expenses (\$800 travel expenses for any delegates sharing a room). Delegates should plan to arrive on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> and depart on Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>.

*Legislative Committee Report – James Gallagher*

Brother Gallagher reported that the legislature passed the state pay increase and the bill is headed to the Governor for signature. He also reported that over 2,550 emails were sent via the State Lodge's voter voice system.

“Stay Back Law” was also passed and sent to the Governor for signature. This law would make it a crime to come within 25 feet of a police scene after the officer gives a warning to stay back.

Permit less concealed carry of a firearm over the age of 18 was defeated.

Retired LEOs don't need to requalify annually within the State of Louisiana has also passed and been sent to the Governor for signature. If signed into law, this does not exempt retired members from the annual qualification requirements out of state in HR 218.

*Community Engagement Committee Report – Jerry Baldwin*

Brother Baldwin reported that the FOP is sponsoring a 5 member team to participate in the Guardian Bowl at Rock n Bowl this Sunday from 1-4 pm.

*Social Media Committee Report – Eddie Branch*

Brother Branch reported that the updated NOPD handbook would be available via the mobile app this week.

*Legal Report – Claude Schlesinger*

Brother Schlesinger gave an update on the City's vehicle purchases and gave an update on legislation that was passed by the City Council asking Civil Service to evaluate and report back on the possibility of awarding officers who meet the physical fitness standards to receive a bonus annual leave day.

*National Trustee – Kelly Gibson*

Brother Gibson reported on the FOP Day at the Capitol and other legislative updates. He also discussed some potential options on the pension board to include a “back drop” option. As it relates to the National Conference, Louisiana will vote # 40.

*State Secretary – Ronnie Labarriere*

Brother Labarriere reported on the special shirts for the Louisiana delegation at the National Conference. They are available for purchase online through July 7<sup>th</sup>.

*State Trustee’s Report – Billy Roth*

Brother Roth submitted a written report of his activity since the last meeting.

**New Business**

None.

**Old Business**

None.

**Good of the Order**

Brother Michael Brenkle reported the Orleans Levee District Police has openings if anyone is interested.

Hilton Stein Memorial 50/50 Raffle

Winner (#5659911) Virginia Dantin -- \$105.00

Lodge share -- \$106.00

**Attendance**

95 members present

Membership roster is attached to this document.

**Closing Prayer** by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

## **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Ross Bourgeois.  
Motion seconded by Willie Jenkins.  
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Ross J. Bourgeois  
Recording Secretary  
Fraternal Order of Police  
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