

Fraternal Order of Police
Crescent City Lodge #2
Meeting – Thursday, June 9, 2022
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order by President Walter Powers – 7:05 p.m.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Officers by 1st Vice President Chris Landry

12 Present

2 Absent (Livaccari, Sarver)

1 Excused (Bourgeois)

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to suspend the reading of the minutes by Bobby O'Brien.

Motion seconded by Willie Jenkins.

Motion carried.

Recognition of Guests by President Powers

Retirement Committee – Larry Reech

Brother Reech discussed the MPERS Board would have three new members in July 2022. Brother Reech was not running for reelection after serving on the MPERS Board for 41 years, and two other members also were not running for reelection. The election for the Retiree District was in the process of receiving votes with a deadline of June 14, 2022.

Brother Reech also discussed that the MPERS Board would discuss a COLA consideration at the June 22, 2022 meeting in Baton Rouge. Members of MPERS should make an effort to attend this MPERS Board Meeting to support the COLA.

New Member Applications

The following individuals have applied for membership in the Crescent City Lodge #2:

Gino Spadifore – Reinstatement (Reserves)

Malcolm Jones – NOPD Reserve Division – Associate Member

Milton Audibert – Retired NOPD (Reserves)

Christopher Encardes - NOPD Reserve Division – Associate Member

Motion to accept new members by Willie Jenkins.

Motion seconded by Chris Landry.

Motion carried.

Attendance – Inner Guard Lucien Sunseri

97 members present.

Membership roster is attached to this document.

Communications – Secretary-Treasurer James Gallagher

- Letter of thanks from Lt. Sheila Celious for the lodge's support to the NOPD Special Victims Section for the retirement of Deputy Chief Paul Noel.
- Letter of thanks from St Jude Children's Research Hospital for a donation of \$102.00 in the memory of William Reiher.
- Received a letter of reply to Brother Jeremy Wilcox representing the FOP Labor Committee relative to questions about the new change in shifts to 12-hour shifts.

The lodge sent thank you letters to the following donors to the Louisiana FOP Foundation, to be earmarked for our lodge:

Robert Italiano -- \$100

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

Jacquelyn Scholl, wife of Joseph "Tim" Scholl. -- \$2,000

Membership Report – Secretary-Treasurer James Gallagher

1885	Active FOP Members
22	Associate FOP Members
18	Honorary FOP Members
1925	Total Lodge Membership

Membership by Type:

907	Active NOPD Officers
108	Other Active Law Enforcement Officers
68	NOPD Reserve Officers
8	Terminated Officers
6	Other Associate Members (Retired NOPD Reserve Officers)
810	Retired Law Enforcement Officers
18	Honorary Members
1925	Total

Reports of Officers

President's Report – Walter Powers

Brother Powers displayed the Memorial Police Week badge and lapel pin. He then recognized those who would be celebrating special birthdays in June.

1st Vice President's Report – Chris Landry

Brother Landry offered to assist any retired members present who wished to vote in the MPERS election by setting up his computer so they could cast their vote in the election.

2nd Vice President's Report – Willie Jenkins

Brother Jenkins discussed the mayor's proposed bonus pay plan. It did not go before the City Council at the meeting on 6/9/22.

Brother Jenkins announced that Brother Jeremy Wilcox had accepted the position of Vice Chairman of the Labor Committee.

Financial Report – Secretary-Treasurer James Gallagher

Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account \$348,082.08
LAFOP Foundation Account \$56,426.47
LAFOP Foundation Account (Millage Suit) \$399,319.81
Ericksen, Krentel Account (Millage Suit) \$39,917.18

Total Liquid Cash Assets \$404,508.55
Total Escrowed Millage Suit Funds \$439,236.99
Total Cash Assets with Millage Suit Funds \$843,745.54

Fund Balances as of 05/31/2022:

General Fund \$64,182.26
Legal Fund \$(27,621.84)
Delegate Fund \$105,393.23
Death Benefit Fund \$54,053.11
Building Fund \$208,501.79
Normal Fund Balances \$404,508.55
FOP Millage Suit Fund \$399,319.81
CPA Millage Suit Fund \$39,917.18
Total Fund Balances \$843,745.54

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to approve the Financial Report by Peter Perrien.

Motion seconded by Henry Schmitz.

Motion carried.

State Trustee – Billy Roth

Brother Roth submitted a written report of his activity since the last meeting. He mailed out 6 license plate renewal letters to lodge members, and attended the wake and funeral of CCL#2 member Les Bonano.

LAFOP State Conference in Bossier City

A poll was conducted by Brother Gallagher of members present at the meeting to determine their availability to serve as a delegate at the 2022 conference. Brother Gallagher provided additional information about per diem and awards at the conference.

Committee Reports

Legislative Committee – Jim Gallagher

Brother Gallagher discussed the types of legislation that the Legislative Committee would be watching for and bills that would be of concern. Of interest was House Bill 1 relative to State Supplemental pay.

Retirement Committee – Larry Reech

Brother Reech discussed this information earlier in the meeting after the recognition of guests.

New Business

None

Old Business

Members were reminded to update their beneficiary with the blue cards that are sent to members annually.

Good of the Order

Hilton Stein Memorial 50/50 Raffle

Winner # 8207318 by Pat Belsom: \$132

Lodge Share: \$132

Additional drawing for a \$25 VISA gift card was won by Dick Beebe.

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Jeremy Wilcox. .

Motion seconded by Daryl Odom. .

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Chris Landry
Acting Recording Secretary
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