

Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2

Meeting – Tuesday, July 8, 2014
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order by President Walter Powers – 7:10 p.m.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Emile Goetz

Roll Call of Officers

16 Present
1 Absent (Lampard)
1 Excused (Patin)

Reading of previous meetings minutes

Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes and approve them as published by Billy Roth.
Motion seconded by Gary Gremillion.
Motion carried.

New Members

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

Kevin Burns	NOPD – PIB
John Ball	Resigned NOPD to take Civilian City Hall IT Job (Associate Member)

Motion to accept new members by Ken Dupaquier.
Motion seconded by Dave Penn.
Motion carried.

Correspondence

The lodge received form letters from Debra Spriggins, Herbert Warren, Danny Ellis, Michael Eskine, David Abbott, and Edgar Edwards expressing their displeasure with the low pay, rising attrition, and poor working conditions of the New Orleans Police Department in spite of the rise in health care costs.

The lodge sent the letters to the named beneficiaries of deceased members along with their death benefit proceeds:

Maybell Casper, sister of Charles Hudson -- \$2000.00
Mary Williams, wife of Robert Williams -- \$2000.00
Kim Reiser, wife of Frederick Reiser -- \$2000.00
Eva Otilio, wife of Lester Otilio -- \$2000.00
Mark Elsensohn, son of Virgil Elsensohn -- \$2000.00
Laurie Hensley, daughter of Norman Knaps -- \$2000.00

Officer/Committee Reports

President's Report – President Walter Powers

Brother Powers reported on recent meetings with Superintendent Serpas including topics such as the reinstatement process, ADP payroll problems, tattoo policy, detail hours limit, and the Police Officer IV promotional criteria.

First Vice President – Christopher Landry

Brother Landry reported on the upcoming benefit for Richard Siegel at Rock and Bowl and suggested that the lodge consider some sort of bowling league or bowling night for members and their families.

Motion by James Gallagher to donate \$500.00 to the Rock'n for Richie benefit for Richard Siegel.

Motion seconded by Gus Krinke.

Motion carried.

Financial Report – Secretary- Treasurer James Gallagher

Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account	\$76,538.64
LAFOP Foundation Account	\$(47.73)
Total Cash Assets	\$76,490.91
National Legal Plan Advances	\$9,625.00
Total Assets	\$86,116.11

Fund Balances as of June 30, 2014:

General Fund	\$103,303.58
Legal Fund	\$(367,504.97)
Delegate Fund	\$82,190.51
Death Benefit Fund	\$50,000.00
Building Fund	\$208,501.79

Total Fund Balances \$76,490.91

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to accept financial report by Ross Bourgeois.

Motion seconded by Gary Gremillion.

Motion carried.

Membership Report – Recording Secretary Ross Bourgeois

1932	Active FOP Members
26	Associate FOP Members
13	Honorary FOP Members
1971	Total Lodge Membership

By Membership Type:

1006	Active NOPD Officers
31	Reserve NOPD Officers
19	Terminated NOPD Officers
59	Other Active Law Officers
4	Other Associate Members
840	Retired Law Officers
12	Honorary Members

State Trustee's Report – State Trustee Billy Roth

Assisted 9 FOP members to obtain FOP license plates.

Brother Roth advised that now you will need a new membership letter in order to renew your FOP license plate and motorcycle license plates are also available.

Legal Report – Claude Schlesinger

Brother Schlesinger updated the membership on the suite for the sick and annual leave conversion of credible service towards member's pensions. He also updated the membership on the millage suit and the FOP is attempting to force the city to do an audit of the amounts owed with the FOP CPA firm.

Legal Report – Donovan Livaccari

Brother Livaccari updated the membership on the mayor's "Great Place to Work" initiative (Civil Service reform). The FOP is meeting with the Civil Service staff and other interested parties to "get on the same page".

Retirement Committee – Larry Reech

Brother Reech introduced Raymond Burkart, Jr. the newest trustee on the MPERS board. He also reported that the MPERS assets were valued at \$1,794,116,917.00 as off May 31, 2014, and that the board was awaiting an Attorney General's opinion regarding the granting of a COLA.

Brother Reech also encouraged all members to make sure that their beneficiary information and addresses are correct with MPERS.

Scholarship Committee – Louis Shaw

Brother Shaw reported that at the September meeting \$3500.00 in FOP scholarships would be awarded.

Family Event Committee – Gwen Nolan

Sister Nolan updated the membership on the progress of the planning of the Family Fund Night at City Park or other locations.

New Business

None.

Old Business

None.

Good of the Order

Brother Gus Krinke advised that at the upcoming State Conference there will be two resolutions, both regarding an increase in the per-capita tax for the State Lodge. Brother Krinke also advised that he is running for reelection as the State Secretary.

50/50 Raffle

Winner (#674977) Louis Shaw -- \$69.00

Lodge share -- \$69.00

Attendance

95 members present

Membership roster is attached to this document.

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Emile Goetz

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Emile Goetz.

Motion seconded by Danny Mack.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Ross J. Bourgeois
Recording Secretary
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