

Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2

Meeting – Tuesday, March 14, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order by President Walter Powers – 7:04 p.m.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Peter Menkiewicz

Roll Call of Officers

13 Present
1 Absent (Lampard)

Introduction of Special Guest

President Powers introduced Margaret Fitzpatrick, wife of John Fitzpatrick who was in attendance at the meeting.

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 David Lentz.

Motion carried.

Motion by Ross Bourgeois to give credit for attending this meeting to Ray Burkart and Larry Reech, who are in Baton Rouge on Pension Board business.

Motion seconded by Vic Kissinger.

Motion carried.

New Members

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

Conrad Baker	Retired
Evan Cox	SOD
Matthew Egersheim	1 st District
Courtney George	4 th District
Jared Godshalk	3 rd District
Christian Hart	SOD

Joseph Herman	6 th District
Stephen Jones	7 th District
Carey Jordan	6 th District
Justin McCubbins	6 th District
Roshan Mitchell	6 th District
Cody O'Dell	Academy
Steven Olivotto	Academy
Marlon Padilla	7 th District
Ya'ron Pierre	5 th District
Matthew Stone	5 th District
Chadwick Taylor	3 rd District
Raychel Willey	3 rd District
Thomas Wiltz	1 st District

Motion to accept new members by Barbara Sharp.

Motion seconded by John Meehan.

Motion carried.

Correspondence

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

Jazmine Mitchell, wife of Tony Mitchell, \$10,000 (total benefit \$15,000)
 Carmel Sassone, beneficiary of Lee Payton, \$2,000
 Nadine Couture, daughter of Louis Reichert, \$2000
 Judy Munsch, wife of Louis Munsch, \$2007.30
 Cynthia Watermeier, wife of Leo Watermeier, \$2000

The lodge received letters of thanks from the following recent scholarship recipients:

Billy and Yvonne McGaha, grandparents of scholarship recipient Peyton McGaha.
 Daniel J. Mack, Jr.
 Cameron M. Field

The lodge received a letter of thanks from Commander Derek Frick of the Management Services Bureau for our donation of Mardi Gras snacks and refreshments for police officers along the parade routes.

Officer/Committee Reports

President's Report – Walter Powers

Brother Powers reported on his recent activities since the last meeting, including providing assistance for FOP members affected by the recent tornados in New Orleans East, attending the funeral for Brother Danny Mack, Mardi Gras, an

update on Lt. Michelle Woodfork who was injured in the Endymion parade route crash.

President Powers then turned the chair of the meeting over to First Vice President Christopher Landry.

First Vice President's Report – Christopher Landry

Brother Landry advised that he would be participating in Team FOPNO for the upcoming St. Baldrick's fundraising event. Other members of Team FOPNO are Tim Bayard, Darren Hartman, Eric Behr, and George Waguespack.

Motion by Jim Gallagher for the lodge to donate \$100 to St. Baldrick's in the name of each Team FOPNO member (total \$500).

Motion seconded by Becky Benelli.

Motion carried.

Financial Report – Secretary- Treasurer James Gallagher

Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account	\$72,973.97
LAFOP Foundation Account	\$(1,326.49)
Total Cash Assets	\$71,647.48

Fund Balances as of March 31, 2015:

General Fund	\$61,345.18
Legal Fund	\$(310,488.47)
Delegate Fund	\$58,298.47
Death Benefit Fund	\$53,990.51
Building Fund	\$208,501.79
Total Fund Balances	\$71,647.48

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to accept financial report by Barbara Sharp.

Motion seconded by Ross Bourgeois.

Motion carried.

Brother Gallagher advised the membership of the upcoming National Conference in Nashville, TN to be held on August 27-31. The lodge will provide each delegate with \$500 travel allowance/per diem. The lodge will cover all hotel accommodations and reservations. Members should not plan return flights prior to 2:00 pm in order to have sufficient time to vote.

Legal Report – Claude Schlesinger

Brother Schlesinger gave an update on the Millage suit – the suit is moving after many years of inactivity. Our attorneys are working with the City Attorney

Rebecca Dietz to settle this case and they have partnered with the law firm of Lowe Stein relative to this case.

Legal Report – Donovan Livaccari

Brother Livaccari advised that the FOP Legal Defense Plan is servicing many FOP members each month. He also is working with the administration on administrative re-assignment, since many members were taken off of re-assignment for Mardi Gras this year, and then placed back on re-assignment.

The FOP Legal Defense Plan offers 2 hours of legal consultation per year on personal matters, 4 hours per year on family law matters.

New Business

Brother David Benelli expressed his thanks to the FOP and Donovan Livaccari for the support of the DA's office in a recent letter to the editor of the Advocate regarding the budget cuts for the DA's office.

Brother Willie Jenkins expressed his thanks to the FOP for the assistance provided; he was affected by the recent tornado.

Motion by Jim Gallagher to provide airfare to Washington, DC and hotel accommodations for the families (2 each) and the escort officer (1 each) for fallen NOPD Officers Natasha Hunter and Jude Lewis who will be honored during National Police Week in May.

Motion seconded by Archie Kaiser.

Motion carried.

Old Business

None.

Good of the Order

50/50 Raffle

Winner (#8277872) Hilton Stein -- \$104.00

Lodge share -- \$104.00

Attendance

106 members present

Membership roster is attached to this document.

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Peter Menkiewicz

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Ross Bourgeois.

Motion seconded by Henry Davies.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Ross J. Bourgeois
Recording Secretary
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