

Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2

Meeting – Wednesday, November 11, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

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

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

Salute to Veterans by President Walter Powers

Suspension of the regular order of business

Motion to suspend the regular order of business by Billy Roth.
Motion seconded by Ira Austin.
Motion carried.

The lodge was addressed by:

Keva Landrum, candidate for Orleans Parish District Attorney
Nikki Roberts, candidate for Orleans Parish Juvenile Court Judge, Section F

Return to the regular order of business

Motion to return to the regular order of by Ross Bourgeois.
Motion seconded by Bobby O'Brien.
Motion carried.

Motion by Ira Austin to endorse Keva Landrum for Orleans Parish District Attorney.
Motion seconded by Billy Roth.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Willie Jenkins to endorse Nikki Roberts for Orleans Parish Juvenile Court Judge, Section F.
Motion seconded by Gary Dewey.
Motion carried.

Roll Call of Officers

12 Present
3 Absent (Lentz, Lampard, Sarver)

Reading of previous meetings minutes

Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes and approve them as published by Pete Menkiewicz.

Motion seconded by Chris Landry.

Motion carried.

Correspondence

The lodge received thank you cards from Kennedi Rincon and Matthew Blanchard, recent scholarship recipients.

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

Christine Ruiz, daughter of William Hamilton -- \$2,000

Bonnie Ann Alonzo, wife of Charles Alonzo -- \$2,000

FOP Employee Representative Donovan Livaccari sent a letter on behalf of the Lodge to Civil Service Director Lisa Hudson expressing our support for the Civil Service Department's budgetary request for funding sufficient to offer both a Police Captain and Police Lieutenant promotional examination in 2021. The letter stressed how important it was to morale and recruiting efforts that NOPD officers have promotional opportunities. The letter also addressed our interest in seeing promotions made to the non-competitive position of Senior Police Officer and indicated that the majority of NOPD employees would be seeking the position of Senior Police Officer, rather than Lieutenant of Captain. Therefore, if the budgetary costs of administering promotional exams for Lieutenant and Captain adversely impact the promotions in the non-competitive positions our opinion on the funding of the exams may change.

Officer/Committee Reports

Second Vice President's Report – Willie Jenkins

Membership Report:

1991	Active FOP Members
16	Associate FOP Members
19	Honorary FOP Members
2026	Total Lodge Membership

Membership by Type:

1034	Active NOPD Officers
55	NOPD Reserve Officers
17	Terminated Officers

96 Other Active Law Enforcement Officers
4 Other Associate Members
802 Retired Law Enforcement Officers
18 Honorary Members

Brother Jenkins also reported on the two officers that were injured in the ambush in the French Quarter.

Financial Report – Secretary- Treasurer James Gallagher

Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account	\$313,272.96
LAFOP Foundation Account	\$43,358.18
Total Cash Assets	\$356,631.14

Fund Balances as of 10/31/2020:

General Fund	\$98,485.57
Legal Fund	\$(100,332.84)
Delegate Fund	\$97,117.16
Death Benefit Fund	\$52,859.46
Building Fund	\$208,501.79
Total Fund Balances	\$356,631.14

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Brother Gallagher also announced that any member interested in attending FOP National Training should contact him.

Motion to approve the Financial Report by Gary Gremillion.

Motion seconded by Lounis Penn.

Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Gallagher to select 40 delegates and 5 alternates to the 2021 National Conference in Indianapolis by the number of meetings attended.

Motion seconded by Ross Bourgeois.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jim Gallagher to make the following donations:

Tunnels to Towers -- \$500

Toys for Tots -- \$500

Motion seconded by Ross Bourgeois.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Jim Gallagher to approve up to \$2,000 to support the eight NOPD Districts in their Christmas youth initiatives.

Motion seconded by Ray Byrd.

Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Gallagher to donate \$500 to both Lakeview Presbyterian and to the St. Jerome Knights of Columbus.
Motion seconded by Ed Delery.
Motion carried.

State Trustee's Report – Billy Roth

Brother Roth submitted a written report of his activity since the last meeting.
Report is attached to this document.

Legal Report – Donovan Livaccari

Brother Livaccari updated the membership on the NOPD unpaid furloughs for both 2020 and the upcoming request for 26 unpaid furlough days in 2021. The 2021 furlough days will be considered by the Civil Service Commission next week. He also updated the members on the appeal of the Civil Service Commission ruling on COVID-19 emergency pay to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals.

New Business

None.

Old Business

None.

Good of the Order

Hilton Stein Memorial 50/50 Raffle
Winner (#301699) -- \$60.00
Lodge share -- \$60.00

President Powers acknowledged special birthdays.

Attendance

62 members present
Membership roster is attached to this document.

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Louis Shaw.
Motion seconded by Lucian Sunseri.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Ross J. Bourgeois
Recording Secretary
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