

Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2

Meeting – Thursday, September 8, 2022
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

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

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

Roll Call of Officers

13 Present
2 Absent (Landry, Sarver)

Suspension of the regular order of business

Motion to suspend the regular order of business by Ross Bourgeois.
Motion seconded by Willie Jenkins.
Motion carried.

The lodge was addressed by Judge Mark Shea who is running for re-election to the Municipal and Traffic Court bench. The election is November 8th.

Motion by Ross Bourgeois to endorse Judge Mark Shea in his bid for re-election as Judge for Division D of Municipal and Traffic Court.
Motion seconded by Bobby O'Brien.

Motion was tabled per the Constitution and Bylaws.

Motion to remove the endorsement motion from the table by Jim Gallagher.
Motion seconded by Bobby O'Brien.
Motion to remove endorsement motion from the table carried.

Original motion carried unanimously.

President Powers recognized State Secretary Ronald Labarriere and State Guard Craig Russell who were in attendance.

Return to the regular order of business

Motion to return to the regular order of by Ross Bourgeois.
Motion seconded by Willie Jenkins.
Motion carried.

Reading of previous meetings minutes

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

New Members

The following individual has applied for membership in Crescent City Lodge #2:

Ernest Meisner

Motion to accept new member by Ross Bourgeois.
Motion seconded by Willie Jenkins.
Motion carried.

Correspondence

The lodge sent letters of thanks to the following for their donations to the FOP Family Fund:

Hugh Collins -- \$50.00
James Danner -- \$150.00

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

Beryl Johnaon, wife of Robert Johnson -- \$2,000
Gayle Bachemin, wife of William Bachemin, Jr. -- \$4,000

Officer/Committee Reports

President's Report – Walter Powers

Brother Powers recognized the special birthdays this month and discussed the recent labor meeting with the Superintendent and the consultants, as well as the Mayor's recent press conference on public safety.

Second Vice President's Report – Willie Jenkins

Brother Jenkins reported on labor issues including retention and recruitment plans, as well as the upcoming Geaux Blue NOLA event.

Secretary's Report – Ross Bourgeois

Brother Bourgeois reported that since the last meeting there were 2 new applications that were received and approved for member training funds. He also reminded members that the application for these training funds is available on the lodge's website.

Financial Report – Secretary- Treasurer James Gallagher

Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account	\$305,449.02
Treasury Direct Investment Account	\$10,000.00
LAFOP Foundation Account	\$69,838.26
LAFOP Foundation Account (Millage Suit)	\$404,527.06
Total Liquid Cash Assets	\$385,287.28
Total Cash Assets with Millage Suit Funds	\$789,814.34

Fund Balances as of 8/31/2022:

General Fund	\$75,438.86
Legal Fund	\$(41,936.09)
Delegate Fund	\$80,294.53
Death Benefit Fund	\$62,988.19
Building Fund	\$208,501.79
Normal Fund Balances	\$385,287.28
FOP Millage Suit Fund	\$404,527.06

Total Fund Balances \$789,814.34

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to approve the Financial Report by Willie Patin.

Motion seconded by Billy Roth.

Motion carried.

Brother Gallagher proposed a standing rule relative to internal controls of investment accounts. Full standing rule is attached to this document.

Motion to approve the standing rule by Jim Gallagher.

Motion seconded by Ross Bourgeois.

Motion carried.

Brother Gallagher gave an update on the effort to codify in a policy worker's compensation for reserve officers injured on duty.

Motion to make a \$1,000 donation to sponsor a Special Olympics bowling team by Jim Gallagher.

Motion seconded by Ray Byrd.

Motion carried.

State Trustee's Report – Billy Roth

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

Scholarship Committee – Louie Shaw

The scholarship drawings were held and the winners are as follows:

FOP Continuing Education Scholarship (College) -- \$1000

Richard Blackman, III – Loyola

J. Fant Taylor Scholarship (College) -- \$500/each

Mhyuyen Nguyen, spouse of Stephen Nguyen, Delgado

Kaleb Conger, grandchild of Sandra Simpson, Case Western Reserve University

Robert E. Lampard Scholarship (College) -- \$500

Toby Fabregas, grandchild of Stanley Fabregas, LSU

“Bud Rip” High School/Grade School Scholarship -- \$500/each

Kayla Jackson, child of Gerald Jackson, Ben Franklin HS

Autumn Ortiz, grandchild of Manuel Ortiz, St. Ann

Danny Mack Memorial Scholarship (High School/Grade School) -- \$500

Rosalie Youngberg, grandchild of Lido Schaubhut, St. Louis King of France

Election Committee – Billy Roth

Brother Roth discussed the availability of voting machines for the upcoming election.

Brother Roth opened up the nominations for the Board of Directors for 2023-2024.

Jim Gallagher nominated the following:

President – Walter Powers

1st Vice President – Christopher Landry

2nd Vice President – Willie Jenkins

Secretary – Treasurer – James Gallagher

Recording Secretary – Ross Bourgeois
Conductor – Jeremy Wilcox
Inner Guard – Lucian Sunseri
Chaplain – Peter Menkiewicz
Trustees – David Lentz, Robert O’Brien, Ray Byrd, Edward Branch

Barbara Sharp nominated Susan Graham for Trustee.
Raymond Burkart nominated Rebecca Gubert for Trustee.

Barbara Sharp advised that she wished to withdraw her nomination for Trustee.

New Business

An amendment to the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge, relative to Elections of Officers was submitted by the Election Committee – William Roth, James Gallagher, Pete Menkiewicz, and Lucian Sunseri. A copy of the amendment is attached to this document.

The amendment was read in its entirety, will be published in the next newsletter, and voted on at the October meeting.

Old Business

None.

Good of the Order

Motion by Ross Bourgeois to sponsor the Geaux Blue NOLA event in the amount of \$3,000 by Ross Bourgeois
Motion seconded by Rebecca Gubert.
Motion carried.

Hilton Stein Memorial 50/50 Raffle
Winner (#8208242) Gary Dewey -- \$119.00
Lodge share -- \$120.00

Attendance

105 members present
Membership roster is attached to this document.

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Ray Byrd.
Motion seconded by Ken Dupaquier.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Ross J. Bourgeois
Recording Secretary
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