

**CITY OF BELLEVUE
LEOFF 1 DISABILITY BOARD
Meeting Minutes**

March 1, 2011
5:30 p.m. – Administration
6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting

Conference Room 1E-118
Bellevue City Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilmember Claudia Balducci¹
Boardmember Wayne Bergeron
Councilmember John Chelminiak
Boardmember Bryan Reil

MEMBER ABSENT: Chairperson Susan Neiman

OTHERS PRESENT: Paula Dillon, Human Resources
Warren Merritt, Fire Department
Siona Windsor, City Attorney's Office

MINUTES TAKER: Michelle Cash

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Mr. Bergeron.

II. ROLL CALL

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the January 5, 2011 meeting minutes was tabled due to a lack of quorum for the minutes.

Motion by Councilmember Chelminiak and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the February 1, 2011 Disability Board Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

¹ Arrived at 6:16 p.m.

V. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR DISABILITY ALLOWANCES

A. Applications for Disability Allowances

Motion by Councilmember Chelminiak and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Applications for Disability Allowances as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

B. Applications for Disability Allowances Greater than 1 month

Motion by Councilmember Chelminiak and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Applications for Disability Allowances Greater than 1 month as presented.

Mr. Bergeron clarified that Member #31 will be referred to the Board physician in June.

At the question, motion carried unanimously (4-0).

VI. CONSIDERATION OF MEDICAL CLAIMS

A. Routine Claims

Motion by Boardmember Reil and second by Councilmember Chelminiak to approve the Routine Claims as presented.

Ms. Dillon explained that Member #9 is having trouble living on her own and needs help with medications, food preparation, bathing, transportation, and other household chores. The Board approved in-home care for four hours per day, six days per week at the December 2010 meeting.

At the question, motion carried unanimously (4-0) to approve the Routine Claims.

B. Special Claims

Motion by Boardmember Reil and second by Councilmember Chelminiak to approve the Special Claims as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

VII. STAFF REPORTS

None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Dillon explained the approval process for Disability claims. If an unforeseen circumstance arises and a Disability Board meeting is cancelled, the delay in processing claims could have a significant impact on members (i.e., if claims were not approved/processed, member payment for a claims could be delayed by two months).

Ms. Dillon asked Boardmembers to consider a continuing order policy for ongoing claims. This would allow claims to be paid on a regular basis. All claims would be reviewed at Board meetings. However, payment wouldn't be delayed if a meeting was cancelled. If there is a mischarge on the claim, then the item would be deducted from the next month's bill.

Boardmembers requested that staff prepare a policy to allow claims to be paid on a continual basis. Boardmembers will review claims at each Board meeting. If a Board meeting is cancelled, the policy would allow staff to process the claim.

X. ANNOUNCE DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Disability Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2011.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

By general consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.