

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

December 2, 2009
5:30 p.m. – Administration
6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting

Conference Room 1E-118
Bellevue City Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Susan Neiman
Boardmember Wayne Bergeron
Councilmember Conrad Lee
Boardmember Bryan Reil

MEMBER ABSENT: Councilmember John Chelminiak

OTHERS PRESENT: Paula Dillon, Human Resources
Warren Merritt, Fire Department
Siona Windsor, Legal Advisor

MINUTES TAKER: Michelle Cash

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Chairperson Neiman.

II. ROLL CALL

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Lee and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the October 7, 2009 Disability Board Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron and second by Councilmember Lee to approve the November 4, 2009 Disability Board Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).

V. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR DISABILITY ALLOWANCES

A. Applications for Disability Allowances

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron 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 Boardmember Bergeron and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Applications for Disability Allowances greater than one month.

Boardmembers discussed the duty relatedness of Member #47's claim and determined that the leave application for the Member's disability, since June 10, 2009, is duty related. Ms. Dillon clarified that the retirement of Member #47 is not duty related.

At the question, motion carried unanimously (4-0) to approve Disability Allowances Greater than 1 month.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF MEDICAL CLAIMS

A. Routine Claims

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

B. Special Claims

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Special Claims as presented.

Boardmembers discussed Member #71's claim for the blood pressure monitor. Ms. Dillon clarified that the monitor was recommended by the Member's physician. Similar claims will be treated on a case-by-case basis.

Ms. Dillon clarified that treatment for Member #22's abscess tooth is necessary before the Member's scheduled surgery. This is a covered claim.

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

VII. STAFF REPORTS

None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

At the previous Board meeting, Councilmember Lee questioned the discount rate used in the LEOFF 1 Actuarial Study. In response to Councilmember Lee's questions, Ms. Dillon clarified that the lower discount rate was based on both the actuary's recommendation and the City's historical average. Calculating the study with the suggested 5% discount would be contrary to the professional actuary's opinion and not realistic.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None.

X. ANNOUNCE DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Disability Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2010.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

By general consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.