

**VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE**  
**POLICE PENSION FUND**  
**January 27, 2016**

Meeting was called to order by Secretary Ljubenko at 4:00 P.M. Present were President Beaver, Vice-President Kunkle, Secretary Ljubenko, Assistant Secretary Wardlaw and Treasurer Cipparrone. Also present were Investment Advisor Richard Barrett of Wells Fargo Advisors, and Dominic Pappalardo of McDonnell Investment Management, LLC. Absent was Trustee Meagher, meeting continued, quorum present.

Upon motion by Wardlaw, second by Beaver, the Board unanimously approved the October 21, 2015 Board Minutes, presented by Secretary Ljubenko.

Dominic Pappalardo, Portfolio Manager of McDonnell Investment Management, LLC, presented the Board with an update on the Pension Fund's fixed income portfolio. McDonnell Investment has been managing the Fund's fixed income investments since September 2011. The portfolio has a YTD 2015 rate of return of 1.32%. Since inception (Sep. 2011), the fixed income investment portfolio has an annualized rate of return of 1.86%.

Treasurer Cipparrone presented the December 31, 2015 Police Pension Fund Activity Report.

Richard Barrett presented the Wells Fargo Advisors Asset Allocation Report and market outlook for 2016.

Treas. Cipparrone presented the Board with the proposed FY 2016-2017 Police Pension Budget that will be reviewed by the Village Board. Included in the budget are the Pensioner cost of living increases for 2016. Upon motion by Ljubenko, second by Wardlaw, the Board unanimously approved the Police Pension cost of living increases for 2016 and acceptance of the proposed FY 2016-2017 Police Pension Budget.

Sec. Ljubenko advised the Board that the Beneficiaries' Trustee position currently held by Pres. Beaver expires on April 30, 2016. Pres. Beaver advised that he wishes to run for another term. Letters requesting any additional nominations will be sent to all Beneficiaries so an election may be held.

The Board received The Application for Refund of Contributions upon Resignation from former Officer Matthew Gill. He served the Department from Sep. 22, 2008 to Sep. 20, 2014, and resigned to accept a position as Special Agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. Ofc. Gill made contributions to the Pension Fund in the amount of \$39,349.15 and requests that his contributions be transferred/rollover to his Thrift Savings Plan (TSP). He has provided the request for transfer paperwork from his Thrift Savings Plan. Upon motion by Beaver, second by Wardlaw, the Board unanimously approved payment/transfer of Ofc. Gill's contributions of \$39,349.15 to his Thrift Savings Plan (TSP).

Upon motion by Wardlaw, second by Beaver, the Board unanimously accepted the Application for Pension upon Retirement by Ofc. Craig Balon. Ofc. Balon was hired on June 9, 2003 and resigned on July 12, 2015, completing over 12 years dedicated service as a LaGrange Police Officer. Ofc. Balon paid a total of \$82,619.46 by way of salary deductions to the fund. Ofc. Balon had at least 8 years of service but less than 20 years of creditable service, therefore he is eligible to receive a pension upon attaining age 60 equal to 2.5% of the salary on the last day of service for each year of creditable service. Ofc Balon's pension is 30% of his final salary of \$88,379. His initial benefit is \$2209.48 per month upon attaining age 60, September 12, 2034. His first cola increase occurs October 1, 2035.

Upon motion by Ljubenko, second by Beaver, the Board unanimously accepted the Application for Pension upon Retirement by Ofc. Randal Pacana. Ofc. Pacana was hired on January 8, 2001 and resigned on September 9, 2015, completing over 14 years dedicated service as a LaGrange Police Officer. Ofc. Pacana paid a total of \$99,290.13 by way of salary deductions to the fund. Ofc. Pacana had at least 8 years of service but less than 20 years of creditable service, therefore he is eligible to receive a pension upon attaining age 60 equal to 2.5% of the salary on the last day of service for each year of creditable service. Ofc. Pacana's pension is 35% of his final salary of \$88,379. His initial benefit is \$2577.72 per month upon attaining age 60, September 16, 2026. His first cola increase occurs October 1, 2027.

Upon motion by Wardlaw, second by Beaver, the Board unanimously accepted the Application to Participate by Police Officer Taylor R. Falls. Ofc. Falls is 25 years old and was born on November 9, 1990. She is single, has no children or other dependents and lives in Oak Lawn. She was hired on December 22, 2015, will obtain the age of 55 years old on November 9, 2045 and will obtain 20 years of creditable service on December 21, 2035. She is under the "Tier II" Pension Plan, which took effect Jan. 1, 2011.

The Board received the report of Ofc. Kneifel's non-line-of duty disability annual medical evaluation conducted on December 11, 2015 by Stevan Weine, M.D. Dr. Weine concluded that Ofc. Kneifel remains disabled for full, unrestricted police duties. Upon motion by Wardlaw, second by Kunkle, the Board unanimously approved accepting Dr. Weine's findings and continuing Ofc. Kneifel's disability benefits subject to further annual evaluations until age 50 as required by the Illinois Pension Code.

Upon motion by Ljubenko, second by Beaver, the Board unanimously approved payment of legal fees in the amount of \$323.23 to Attorney Richard Reimer of Reimer, Dobrovolny & Karlson, LLC and medical fees in the amount of \$2160.00 to INSPE Associates, LTD.

The Board was reminded of the upcoming requirement for Trustees to file a Statement of Economic Interest with the Cook County Clerk's Office by May 1, 2016. Each Trustee should receive an email update in Mar. 2016 from the Clerk's Office with instructions on filing the Statement of Economic Interest online.

The Board was advised of Trustee training opportunities being provided by the IPPFA. The IPPFA Spring Pension Training Conference-2016 will be held May 4-6, 2016 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in East Peoria, IL. Completion of the Conference satisfies the State mandated 16-hour annual training requirement for Public Pension Trustees. Cost of the Conference is \$325.00 per person, hotel room rate is \$150.00 per night. New Trustees Kunkle and Meagher are required to complete the 32-hour Trustee Certification Course, this course is offered by IPPFA at a cost of \$800.00. Upon motion by Beaver, second by Kunkle, the Board unanimously approved payment of \$650.00 conference fee and \$300.00 hotel fee for Ljubenko and Wardlaw to attend the Training Conference, \$1600.00 for Kunkle and Meagher to attend Certified Trustee Course, and \$200.00 for Beaver to complete 8-hour IPPFA Online Training Course.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 P.M. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 27, 2016, 4:00 P.M. at the LaGrange Police Department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen Ljubenko  
Secretary