

**The City of Mobile, Alabama
Police and Firefighters Retirement Plan
Special Meeting
September 16, 2024**

The Board of Trustees for The City of Mobile, Alabama Police and Firefighters Retirement Plan met in a special session at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, September 16, 2024, on the ninth floor in the pre-council room of Government Plaza.

Present:

Bryan Lee, Retired Fire Service Captain, Chairman
Matthew James, Vice Chairman
Kevin Rogers, Police Captain
Ben Lee, Fire Service Driver
William Erickson, Fire Service Captain
Emanuel Roberts, Council Appointee
Matthew Singleton, Council Appointee
Cherlina Monteiro, Assistant City Attorney
Mary Berg, Pension Consultant
Kathlyn Scott, Accountant II

Absent:

Keith Stallings, Retired Police Captain
Richard Moore, Ex Dir of Finance

Guests:

Thomas Johnston, Fire Service Driver
Tom Loper, Attorney for Thomas Johnston

Board Chairman, Bryan Lee called the meeting to order at 8:48 a.m.

Ms. Monteiro opened the discussion and acknowledged Mr. Johnston and his attorney Mr. Loper. Ms. Monteiro informed the board that a motion was needed to accept into record the second opinion report provided by Dr. Gulliver. *On a motion by Captain James seconded by Driver Lee, the board approved to accept new information into the record, the new information was approved and accepted.* Mr. Loper stated that the second opinion does not dispute Mr. Johnston's claim.

Captain Erickson began the discussion regarding a 40-hour work week being a temporary assignment. He noted that Mr. Johnston had been an exemplary firefighter and that over time he noticed a change in his personality. Mr. Johnston stated that he currently would not accept a 40-hour work week as a firefighter if offered.

Ms. Monteiro asked Mr. Johnston several questions and gave Mr. Loper opportunities to provide input as needed.

The Chairman read aloud some of the findings from Dr. Gulliver's report; Mr. Johnston reiterated that he has a persistent heart arrhythmia that he takes medicine for daily; Mr. Loper stated that Mr. Johnston meets the requirements specified in the pension plan's law regarding a non-service connected disability; the Vice Chairman pointed out that neither a diagnosis of a medical condition nor a permanent disability had been proven based on the various doctor's reports. Ms. Monteiro gave the board, Mr. Johnston, and Mr. Loper the opportunity to provide more information before she closed the discussion. *Driver Lee motioned that the disability claim be denied, Captain Rogers seconded the motion; the disability claim submitted by Thomas Johnston was denied.*

Ayes

Bryan Lee, Chairman

Ben Lee, Fire Service Driver

Matthew James, Vice Chairman

Emanuel Roberts, Council Appointee

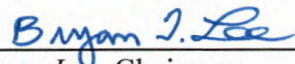
Kevin Rogers, Police Captain

Matthew Singleton, Council Appointee

Opposed

William Erickson, Fire Service Captain

On a motion by Driver Lee seconded by Appointee Roberts, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:34 a.m.



Bryan Lee, Chairman



Kathlyn Scott, Pensions Accountant