



City of Longview

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LEOFF-1 Disability Board

Minutes

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

8:30 AM

2nd Floor, City Hall,
Small Conference Room

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1 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Don Barnd called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2 FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was recited.

3 ROLL CALL

*Present: Don Barnd, Police Department Representative
Jim Morkert, Fire Department Representative
MaryAlice Wallis, Alternate City Council Representative
Mike Wallin, City Council Representative
Chet Makinster, Citizen at Large*

*Also Present: Tiffany Ostreim, Board Secretary
Kris Swanson, Longview City Manager
Dana Beck, Payroll Specialist
Jim McNamara, City Attorney*

4 AGENDA APPROVAL

A motion was made by Member Wallin, seconded by Member Morkert to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

6 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

23-000941 February 22, 2023 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Member Morkert, seconded by Member Wallin to approve the minutes of February 22, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

7 MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS

23-000996 R-43 Hearing Aid Purchase Memo & Documentation

A motion was made by Member Wallin, seconded by Member Morkert to approve the hearing aid purchase. All forms were properly submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

8 APPROVAL OF BILLS

23-000942 March 2023 Medical Bills (Regular) - Total \$14,511.51

A motion was made by Member Wallin, seconded by Member Wallis to approve the bills as presented, reasonable, and medically necessary. The motion carried unanimously.

23-000943 March 2023 Medicare B Reimbursement - Total \$13,540.20

A motion was made by Member Wallin, seconded by Member Morkert to approve the bills as presented, reasonable, and medically necessary. The motion carried unanimously.

9 NEW BUSINESS

R37 has exhausted his long-term care benefits with Penn Treaty. The city is unable to renew or apply for a new policy based on Penn Treaty requirements.

A motion was made by Member Morkert to pay the cost of the long-term care facility. Member Morkert withdrew his motion.

Board requested the appropriate paperwork be submitted: Long Term Care Form and request for reimbursement.

23-000945 Update Disability Board Rules and Regulations for Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters

Update includes:

Rule I - General, Section 14 - Administrative Approval and Payment of "Routine" Medical Bills and Medicare Part "B" Premiums; Ratification, Subsection 4 - Nursing/convalescent facilities costs in the amount previously approved by the Board. Removed dollar amount.

Rule II - Necessary Medical Services, Section 3 - Reasonable and Necessary Claims. Correct RCW 41.26.030(20).

Rule II - Necessary Medical Services, Section 4 - Medical Services, General Guidelines. Medical claims of a member should be submitted to the Board within one year (365 days) following the original billing for services. Claims submitted after that period of time will be denied except for medical incapacity or death. Language pertaining to six months was removed.

Claims for dental expenses was removed as there is now dental insurance.

A motion was made by Member Wallin, seconded by Member Makinster to approve the update to the Disability Board Rules and Regulations for Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters. The motion carried unanimously.

23-000952 Annual Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson per Rule 1 - General, Section 9 - Officers

Member Morkert nominated Member Kendall as Chairperson. No other nominations were made for Chairperson. Member Kendall was elected unanimously.

Member Wallin nominated Member Barnd for Vice-Chairperson. No other nominations were made for Vice-Chairperson. Member Barnd was elected unanimously.

10 CONTINUED BUSINESS

23-000944 Update Long-Term Care Form

Update regarding presentation of resources/policies from other jurisdictions for review regarding the reimbursement of hearing aids and eyeglasses

Long-Term Care Form update was requested to clean up language and possible conflicts with ADL's.

A motion was made by Member Wallis, seconded by Member Morkert to table the item. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of other jurisdictions' resources and policies regarding reimbursement of hearing aids and eyeglasses was requested because of the many different options available which affect the price.

A motion was made by Member Wallis, seconded by Member Morkert to table the item. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Morkert explained Humana Insurance will deny coverage of minor incidentals such as aspirin prescribed by a doctor because it is not a prescription drug.

11 ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Member Morkert, seconded by Member Makinster to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote duly held, and unanimously passed, Chairman Barnd adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the LEOFF-1 Board is scheduled for April 26, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Don Barnd, Chairman

Tiffany Ostreim, Board Secretary