

**CITY OF OAKLAND PARK POLICE & FIREFIGHTERS  
PENSION PLAN SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY OF MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 10, 2021 via Zoom

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The virtual special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Oakland Park Police & Firefighters' Pension Plan was called to order by the Fund Administrator at 4:01 pm.

**ROLL CALL:** The roll was called and a quorum was determined.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Chairman Sal Gatanio, Sheryl Dickey, James Wilson, Joseph Filkowski and Ernest Olivas

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Fund Attorney Milton Collins, City Representatives Andrew Thompson and Rhea Rivera and Fund Administrator Livia Giuliani.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Disability Application Packet**

Mr. Collins reported on the new disability application previously approved, noting that this application will be required for all disability retirees going forward.

Mr. Collins also noted that based on the Pension Code, the Board will be utilizing a Medical Board for disability applications, which is a group of doctors that will assist in making a disability determination. He reviewed the application at length with the Board noting that he would like to make two (2) supplemental changes to the application. One being that the application should be available in fillable PDF format. Two, the application should reference the Medical Board. That being said, Trustee Dickey moved to accept the changes to the disability application and Trustee Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Eligibility Review of Kevin O'Connor Disability Application**

Mr. Collins reported that no member would be eligible for a disability benefit if they were not a member of the plan during the relevant period. Mr. Collins reported that based on the dates on the application, Mr. O'Connor was not a member of the Oakland Park Plan at the time of application or reported injury, as he had entered the Florida Retirement System in October of 2018. As such, Mr. Collins stated that the applicant was ineligible for a service-connected disability. Based on the disability criteria, Trustee Wilson moved to deny the preliminary disability application for Kevin O'Connor and Trustee Olivas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Collins also reported that since the Board preliminarily denied the disability application, Mr. O'Connor has the right to due process and to come before the Board via an informal hearing before a final decision is made.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Trustee moved to adjourn and Trustee seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

  
Secretary

  
Date