

**Association of Retired San Jose Police Officers and Firefighters  
General Meeting Minutes**

April 13, 2023

***Meeting was held in-person at the SJPOA***

**Called to order at 11:40 am by President Ray Storms – Roll Call**

***Officers Present:***

Ray Storms – President; John Shuman – VP Police; Walter Bugna – VP Fire;  
Larry Samarron – Treasurer; Ken Jacksteit – Secretary

***Officers Absent:*** None

***Directors Present:***

Gary Johnson; Jim Spence; Don Bartels; Tim Miller; Joe Roberts

***Directors Absent:***

***Guests:*** None

33 members attended the in-person General Meeting

**General Meeting Minutes from March 9, 2023 – Action Taken**

- **Minutes will be uploaded to the Association website per direction of the Board of Directors.**

**Treasurer's Report – No Action Taken**

- Treasurer Samarron provided a report on Account Balances and Income/Expenditures for March 2023.
- In order to increase the insurance to our overall assets, we will set up another account with Commonwealth Credit Union and buy T-bills directly through Premier One and FireFighters First Credit Unions.

**Reports from Committees – No Action Taken**

**Old Business – No Action Taken**

- Bylaws change ballots. The deadline to turn in your ballots is June 1, 2023. The Board will count the ballots at the June 8<sup>th</sup> Board meeting with the results being announced at the General Meeting later that day.
- Member Steve Osteen. He shared some websites so we can be more informed on election integrity. They are: eip-ca.com and truethevote.org.
- BBQ dates. The September 16<sup>th</sup> Folsom BBQ has been reserved. The August 10<sup>th</sup> BBQ at Coyote has been verbally reserved with no deposit. Larry will follow up with Coyote for the deposit.
- RFP review – Jim Spence. Benefit review form. Sue Bradford Moore, who is a Federated member, has a list of complaints from those members regarding Health Care. Fran Vader will be coordinating their input. They will then send documents to Ray and Jim. We will then put down our concerns. There will be a round table discussion between us and Federated prior to meeting with

benefit review people on April 26<sup>th</sup> to view our concerns. Dustin will set up the Zoom call. We need to look at a CA only PPO plan as 50% of our retirees are under 65 years old. Ray will document our concerns on the Medicare side.

**New Business – Action Taken**

**Vice Presidents' Report – No Action Taken**

- **Police** – SJPD Summer Nights Benefit Chaplaincy Fundraiser is on 6/1/23 at 5:30 pm at MOHI Wine in Morgan Hill.
- **Fire** – “I’m Dead, Now What?” books are still available.

**President's Report – No Action Taken**

- Retirees will not be losing their disability status due to their divorce. A tax attorney met with the Retirement Board and the City Attorney and gave his interpretation of the Muni code section that the Retirement Board interpreted as having to change the disability status of certain members. All parties agreed on the tax attorney's interpretation thus rescinding the Retirement Board's earlier decision. The Unions will meet with the city to change the Muni code, as this is a meet and confer situation.
- Discuss Ray's replacement. Ray will be moving but will continue his duties as President. His wife will either be retiring or working remotely. This is his last year as President.
- Ken does not want to continue doing both Secretary and Membership duties.
- Medicare Part B reimbursement is for both spouses, not just the retiree.

**Adjournment: President Storms adjourned the meeting at 12:08 pm.**