

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
NORTH CHICAGO FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION FUND  
October 26, 2015**

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Chicago Firefighters' Pension Fund was held on Monday, October 26, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., located at 1850 Lewis Avenue, North Chicago, IL 60064, pursuant to notice, for the purpose of conducting special business.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Trustee Winston called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Secretary Douglas Winston, Trustee Dell Urban, and Trustee John Umek

**ABSENT:** Trustee/Treasurer Kenneth Robinson

**ALSO PRESENT:** Board Attorney Carolyn Clifford of Ottosen Britz and Lisa Barnaby of Lauterbach & Amen, LLP (L&A)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO'S PETITION TO INTERVENE IN THE VILLARREAL DISABILITY MATTER:** Ms. Clifford presented a memorandum concerning the legal issues in considering the Petition to Intervene that was filed by Charles Smith on behalf of the City of North Chicago. She noted that the Petitioner's attorney had no objection to the petition. A motion was made by Trustee Winston and seconded by Trustee Umek to approve the City's Petition to Intervene. Motion carried by roll call vote.

**AYES:** Trustees Winston, Urban and Umek

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Robinson

**REVIEW OF STATUS OF VILLARREAL DISABILITY MATTER:** Ms. Clifford noted that she was still awaiting records from the worker's compensation carrier, as well as the City of North Chicago. Trustee Urban stated she would follow up with the City to secure the records requested. Trustee Umek also noted that an inquiry had been made by Villarreal to continue making pension contributions to the Fund, even though she is no longer on the City payroll. Ms. Clifford advised that Villarreal cannot make contributions for this time period, as any disability benefit she is awarded will back date to the day she was removed from payroll.

**REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON IME PHYSICIANS FOR VILLARREAL DISABILITY MATTER:** Attorney Clifford distributed a memo outlining possible IME physician options, and discussed the potential IME physicians with the Board. A motion was made by Trustee Urban and seconded by Trustee Winston to choose Drs. Samo, Gleason and Levin to administer IMEs to Ms. Villarreal. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**CLOSED SESSION:** There was no need for closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Trustee Winston/Urban and seconded by Trustee Urban to adjourn the meeting at 1:25 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

The next regular Board meeting is on Monday, January 4, 2016 at 9:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_ Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Douglas Winston, Pension Board Secretary

*Minutes prepared by Lisa Barnaby, Pension Services Administrator*