

LEOFF DISABILITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 10, 2019, 1:30 p.m. Camas City Hall, 616 NE 4th Avenue

SPECIAL MEETING

Present: Paul Berg, Don Chaney, Joan Durgin, Bob Rhode and Melissa Smith

Excused:

Staff: Leisha Copsey, Jennifer Gorsuch and Shawn MacPherson

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Council Member Chaney, seconded by Vice-Chair Durgin, to approve the meeting minutes of September 26, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

III. CLAIMS SUMMARY REPORT

Administrative Services Director Gorsuch reviewed the reimbursement claims that were submitted and processed from October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019, in the amount of \$182,186.38, with the Board. These claims were approved by the Administrative Services Director per the authority delegated by the Board and reimbursement claims that were previously approved by the Board.

Gorsuch responded to questions from the Board.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Durgin, seconded by Council Member Chaney, to approve the Claims Summary Report in the amount of \$182,186.38 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Smith stated that the Board will be going into a closed session to discuss a Quasi-Judicial matter arising from the motion presented and passed by the Board at its meeting of September 26, 2018. The Board went into a closed session at 1:32 p.m.

The Meeting reconvened at 1:44 p.m.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Decision Regarding Board's Own Previous Motion to Extend Service as Discussed in the Closed Session

It was moved by Board Member Berg, seconded by Board Member Rhode, as a result of the information provided by the consultant, to extend 24 hour home health care services for Deloy Little for another six months. The motion carried unanimously.

Gorsuch stated for the record that it is in the Board's rules that this level of care requires re-evaluation by a physician and approval by the Board every six months.

B. Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair

It was moved by Chair Smith, seconded by Board Member Rhode, to nominate Vice-Chair Durgin for the position of Chairperson effective January 1, 2019, for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2019 or until further order of the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Council Member Chaney, seconded by Vice-Chair Durgin, to nominate Chair Smith for the position of Vice-Chairperson effective January 1, 2019, for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2019 or until further order of the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Massage Therapy Benefits Coverage Request

Gorsuch gave a brief overview of Washington State medical insurance requirements and reviewed the provisions of the medical plans for active employees with the Board. Discussion ensued.

The Board directed staff to research other LEOFF Board's rules to provide options for the Board's consideration at the next meeting for a potential rule change to add massage therapy benefits. D. Discussion Regarding How to Contain Escalating Costs

Gorsuch gave the Board an overview of other LEOFF Board's policies and procedures related to medical benefit limits and discussion ensued.

The Board directed staff to bring back a draft rule change regarding medical benefit limits, specific to long term care, to the next meeting for the Board's consideration.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.