

**TO: CHICAGO LODGE #7 /BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
/UNIT REPRESENTATIVES  
/WATCH REPRESENTATIVES  
/MEMBERS**

**FROM: SIDNEY M. DAVIS  
RECORDING SECRETARY**

**SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE GENERAL  
MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 21, 2006  
AT F.O.P. HEADQUARTERS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

## **SUMMARY OF MINUTES**

President Donahue called the meeting to order at 12:06 hours.

**Deceased Members Who Were Remembered During The Opening Prayer Were:**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.*

## AWARDS

### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD:**

*The following officers were awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the Fraternal Order of Police, Chicago Lodge No. 7:*

### **LIFE SAVING AWARD:**

*The following officers were awarded the Life Saving Award by the Fraternal Order of Police, Chicago Lodge No. 7:*

President Donahue introduced Sheriff's candidate Tom Dart to the membership who proceeded to thank the Lodge for its support over the years and spoke on his upcoming election for sheriff.

President Donahue also expressed deep condolences to the Eric Solorio family on behalf of the members of FOP.

## PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the General Meeting held on January 17, 2006 were provided to those in attendance.

**Motion by** Gerry Majerczyk  
**2nd by** James Moriarty  
**Motion:** To waive the reading of the Minutes and to accept the minutes as printed  
**Motion passes**

## OFFICERS' REPORTS

### **President's Report** **Mark Donahue**

**Retiree Health Care:** The Lodge went into court (last week) for the second time to file a petition to reconcile the difference between what our retired members have been paying for health care and what the City of Chicago is obligated to pay. The Lodge calculated that the City owes retiree's 20 million dollars in overpayments, the City refuted that amount and claimed that they owe only 15 million. The exact amount that is owed to each retiree has to be determined as there are at least 40 categories to be considered.

**Vic Rini, retired:** *Thanked Mark and the Board for filing the lawsuit and obtaining a reduction in monthly premiums to include the over cost payment rebates*

**Register to Vote:** Earlier this month the Lodge sent a letter to all of it's members regarding voter registration

asking each member to register and then to vote in the upcoming elections.

**Political Action**

**Committee:** The PAC met for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the upcoming primary elections. Their recommendations then went to the full Board of Directors on February 7, 2006. The endorsements that are made will be published in the March 2006 FOP Newsletter.

President Donahue continued his report by speaking on the following subjects: pension portability, video camera's in cars, social security windfall provision, carry and conceal (H.R. 218) for retired members

**Ted Street:** On March 2, 2006, Ted Street the State FOP President will be sworn in as Chairmen of the Board for the Illinois Police Training Standards Board. It's the first time this honor has ever been bestowed upon anybody from any law enforcement organization in the State of Illinois.

*Discussion on health care regarding the year of 2013*

**Jim Moriarty, Unit 189:** Spoke on the issue of the proposed sale of ports

*Discussion on terrorist training for CPD members*

*Discussion on payroll and the lateness of officers being paid*

**Don Eichler**

**Unit 023:** Spoke on the issue of endorsements

**Ken Watt, Unit 008**

**FOP State 1<sup>st</sup> V.P. :** Spoke on the issue of endorsements

**Maurice Thigpen**

**Unit Rep, 006:** Spoke on the issue of CPD Credit Union (changing charters)

**Dave Dunham**

**CPD Credit Union:** Spoke on the issue of CPD Credit Union and how charters works

**Scott Kniaz**

**Unit 025:** Spoke on the issue of residency

**Don Eichler**

**Unit 023:** Spoke on the issue of residency

**Motion by**

**Sid Davis**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by**

**Rich Aguilar**

**Motion:**

**To accept the President's Report.**

**Motion passes**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report**

## By Bill Dougherty

**Medical Grievances:** Since the last General Meeting the Lodge has filed fourteen (14) medical grievances, of which twelve (12) were for denial of I.O.D. and two (2) officers were placed on psychological evaluations. The Lodge also filed a class action grievance regarding light duty officers who are being forced to work full duty positions.

**Wellness Arbitration:** On February 2, 2006 the City presented its view on the issue of the wellness program, briefs are due in one (1) week. The Lodge expects a decision by the next General Meeting.

### Class Action

**Grievance:** The Lodge filed a CAG one year ago regarding life insurance policy's for duty disability police officers, the City has settle the CAG by giving all DDPO a \$25,000.00 life insurance policy, same as regular police officers have.

**Health Fairs:** Three (3) Health Fairs have been scheduled for February 2006. Feb 9 in the 22nd District, Feb 14 at FOP Hall and Feb 28<sup>th</sup> in the 16<sup>th</sup> District. Each member can have their blood pressure checked, cholesterol checked along with glucose, and the option of sitting with a doctor and going over the test results or have your own physician check the test results. The Lodge nor the City will have access to any officers test results for any reason or future use. The health fairs are free to Lodge members, retiree's and disabled officers. Appointments are needed to participate, you may called 1-800-811-0174 to schedule a visit.

**FOP Stars:** On March 25, 2006, the FOP Hockey Team (FOP Stars) will play the Chicago Fire Dept in the annual charity hockry game at the United Center. Tickets are \$5.00 each with proceeds going to the FOP disability fund.

### Kevin McNulty

**Unit 018:** Spoke on the issue of the wellness program

**Det. Steve Shores:** Spoke on the issue of the wellness program

### Kathleen Gahagan

**Unit 177:** Spoke on the issue of the wellness program and P.P.O. coverage

**Motion by Mike Garza**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Butney**

**Motion: To accept the Vice President's Report.**

**Motion passes**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report

### Frank DiMaria

**Uniform Resale:** The next uniform resale has been scheduled for April 19, 2006 at the F.O.P. Hall from 1300 – 1800 hours.

**Fishing Tournament:** Due to a scheduling conflict the Lodge must reschedule the annual fishing tournament from

Thursday June 1<sup>st</sup> to Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup>. We hope this change does not inconvenience any of our members who fish with us each year.

**Dept Special Order:** The Department just issued a DSO which allows members to carry the expandable baton. To be able to carry the baton members must go through the approved training course ( 4hr course) at the Training Academy.

**Rich Aguilar**

**Trustee:** Spoke on the issue of the old metal flashlights vs the expandable baton

**Motion by Ron Rufo**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathleen Gahagan**

**Motion: To accept the 2nd Vice President's report**

**Motion passes**

*President Donahue acknowledge to the members that National Trustee (Illinois) Robert "Rocky" Nowaczyk was in the house.*

### **3rd Vice President's Report**

**Report given by**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Frank Dimaria**

**Legal Defense:** There were four (4) call outs last month (February) in which ten (10) officers were involved in four (4) shootings.

**Discipline Screening Panel:** Last month fifty-nine (59) cases were heard, thirty-one (31) alternate penalties were made and no agreement on twenty-eight (28) cases.

**Motion by Sid Davis**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Dougherty**

**Motion: To accept the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President's report**

**Motion passes**

### **Recording Secretary's Report**

**By Sidney M. Davis**

**B.I.S. / P.C.P.:** Currently there are eighty-six (86) officers in the Behavior Intervention System and eighteen (18) officers in the Personal Concerns Program for a combined total of one-hundred and four (104) officers in both programs. Placement into either program is intended to be non-punitive and is done for the specific purpose of correcting job performance. It is not a disciplinary process, nor is the system designed to interfere with promotions, requesting transfers, bidding or other employee benefits. Members who are currently enrolled in either program are encouraged to call the Lodge for possible removal.

**Military:** Twenty-five (25) police officers are currently deployed for Operations Enduring Freedom of which fifteen (15) are on foreign soil. Please keep these officers in your prayers and also for a safe return home.

*Military Family Leave Act was explained to the membership. Officers who are military reservists can obtain a copy of the MFLA by calling the Lodge.*

**Watch Bids:** Watch Bids open on March 8, 2006 and close on March 15, 2006.

**Motion by** Kevin Jans  
**2<sup>nd</sup> by** Frank DiMaria  
**Motion:** To accept the Recording Secretary's Report  
**Motion passes**

## **Treasurer's Report**

### **By John Capparelli**

Membership Count: Patrol Officers/11,551; Sgts. & Above/219; Disabled/397; Retired/5,081; Outside Units/8; Total Membership: 17,256

#### **Account Deposits and Disbursements:**

Membership Account Deposits for December 2005: \$307,606.90  
Membership Account Disbursements for December 2005: \$510,759.44  
Membership Account Balance as of January 1, 2006: \$700,823.84

General Account Deposits for December 2005: \$11,714.42  
General Account Disbursements for December 2005: \$21,650.00  
General Account Balance as of January 1, 2006: \$38,765.79

Store Account Deposits for December 2005: \$35,716.10  
Store Account Disbursements for December 2005: \$41,560.61  
Store Account Balance as of January 1, 2006: \$88,648.04

PAC Deposits for December 2005: \$0.00  
PAC Disbursements for December 2005: \$0.00  
PAC Account Balance as of January 1, 2006: \$1,111.31

Legal Defense Account Balance as of January 1, 2006: \$4,114,857.61

WCMA Loan Account Balance as of January 1, 2006: \$0.00

Investment Account Balance as of January 1, 2006: \$529,057.81

Total Assets on Hand as of January 1, 2006: \$5,473,264.40

**Step Increases:** A grievance has been filed for members who have not received their December step raise that were hired in 1995. If you have missed a step raise, call the Lodge.

**Dan McHugh**  
**Area 5:** Spoke on the issue of step increases

**Rick King**  
**Canine:** Spoke on the issue of filing tax returns

**Rich Aguilar**  
**Trustee:** Spoke on the issue of income taxes

**Mike Garza**  
**Unit 004:** Spoke on the issue of taxes and taxable income

**Sandy Nash**  
**Unit 376:** Spoke on the issue of Finance and accountability

**Motion by Sid Davis**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Butney**  
**Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report**  
**Motion passes**

## **Financial Secretary's Report**

### **By Timothy Fallon**

**FLSA:** The last time we went to court on FLSA the City was told by the Judge to try and settle the case. The City made us no offer the Lodge could accept. Depositions are now being taken, however the City does not want FOP to depose Superintendent Cline, former Superintendent Terry Hillard, First Deputy Dana Starks and Chief of Detective Maria Maher. The City has been told to put something in writing to have individuals exempt from the deposition process. The Lodge has a April 17 status date on the FLSA and a deadline of Jun 23, 2006 to have all deposition complete.

#### **Health Care**

**Retiree's:** The law suit regarding health care for retiree's continues, the Lodge will continue to monitor the way the City calculates monthly benefits for retiree's. Attempts were made to remove Paul Greiger (attorney for the Lodge) who has been the lead attorney in this case.

#### **Unit Rep**

**Meeting:** The Lodge has scheduled a Unit Rep Meeting for March 9, 2006, Reps are asked to talk to their respective members in their units and districts regarding special employment, a very high percentage of members are canceling their special employments date creating a problem for those who want to work but can't due to cancellations.

Financial Secretary Fallon also spoke on the following issues: Special employment around White Sox Park which involves TMA's, ASCME prison guards and the Labor Board and the Juvenile Intervention Program.

**Dennis Mushol**

**Unit 109:** Spoke on the issue of watch bidding for public housing

**Phillip Burton**

**Unit 001:** Spoke on the issue of the Special Employment grievance

**Jack Boock**

**Unit 640:** Spoke on the issue of transfers and the method used regarding the Juvenile Intervention Program

**Motion by Sid Davis**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin Graham**

**Motion: To accept the Financial Secretary's Report**

**Motion passes**

## **Special Events Committee**

### **By Joe Butney**

The annual St. Patrick's Day Party will be held on Saturday March 11, 2006 from 6pm to 11pm, cost is \$20.00. The Lodge will participate in the St Patrick's Day Parade northside (March 5) and southside (March 12) but not the downtown parade. The Lodge will have a float for both parades so come on out and participate.

**2006 State Conference:** Volunteers are needed for the State Conference scheduled for July 7<sup>th</sup> through the 9<sup>th</sup>. On July 6 there will be a golf outing and on July 7 the Lodge has scheduled a barbeque and a night baseball game with the White Sox vs the Boston Red Sox.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Don Richardson**

**Unit 022:** Spoke on the issue of the missing canine dog to a Chicago Police Officer.

**Motion by Don Richardson**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Butney**

**Motion: To provide \$250.00 as reward for the recovery of the missing dog**

*Discussion on the motion*

**Motion passes.**

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**Sue Trempe**  
**Unit 057:**

Spoke on the issue of members working traffic enforcement and camera's

**President Donahue:** Spoke on the issue of camera's in Department vehicles relative to disciplinary measures that the Department and Lodge need to negotiate.

**John Capparelli**  
**Treasurer:**

Spoke on the issue of the camera's to include officers who may have to write tickets

**Kevin Jans**  
**Unit 019:**

Spoke on the issue of camera's in department vehicles

**Vic Rini**  
**Retired:**

Spoke on the issue of H.R.218 and the year 2013 regarding health benefits

*After determining that no other business was pending....*

**Motion by**        **Bill Dougherty**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> by**         **Sid Davis**  
**Motion:**        **To adjourn the meeting**  
**Motion passes**

*Meeting adjourned at 13:59 hours*

Fraternally,

Sidney M. Davis  
Recording Secretary