

MEMORANDUM

September 8, 2014

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Commission

VIA: Kenneth Fields, City Manager

FROM: Clara VanBlargan, City Clerk, MMC

RE: Appointment – Police Officers' Retirement Board

SYNOPSIS: Appointments fill vacancies due to resignations, expiration of terms, newly established boards, etc.

RECOMMENDATION

The Mayor makes appointments to various citizen advisory and regulatory boards, commissions, committees, and authorities with the advice and consent of the City Commission (City Charter, Sec. 3.06).

The Mayor is asked to make the appointment as deemed appropriate.

BACKGROUND

Vacancies exist on various Boards, Commissions, and Committees due to resignations, expirations of terms, newly established boards, etc.

Police Officers' Retirement Board (City Code Sec. 16-233) – The board consists of five (5) trustees. Two (2) members must be legal residents of the City and two (2) members must be full-time police officers' employed by the Lake Wales Police Department. Resident members are appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Commission; police officer members are elected by a majority of the police officers who are members of the plan. The fifth member is chosen by a majority of the other four members and appointed by the Mayor. (4-year term-)

- There is no interview process requirement for applicants applying for appointment to this board.
- Members are required to file an annual Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests
- Current Vacancies: 1 resident expiring terms; 2 employee police officer expiring terms

Current Members: Patrick Quinn, police officer, 5 th Seat	01/10/12 - 09/30/15
Leon Weech, resident	04/17/12 - 09/30/14
Anthony Elrod, resident	04/01/14 - 09/30/18
Mark Stroup, police officer	12/18/12 - 09/30/14, employee election in process
William Raebig, police officer	05/05/14 - 09/30/14, employee election in process

Current Meetings – Quarterly @ 4p.m.; Fire Department meeting room

Applying for appointment: None

Applying for appointment: Leon Weech, resident

Recommendation: The recommendation is for the Mayor to re-appoint Leon Weech to serve on the Police Officers' Retirement Board for a term expiring on 09/01/18, 4-yr term, and for the City Commission to consent to the appointment made by the Mayor.

OPTIONS

Do not appoint the applicants named above and seek other applicants; however, it may be difficult for the boards to obtain a quorum until vacancies are filled.

FISCAL IMPACT

None. These are volunteer citizen boards.

ATTACHMENTS

Applications

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE

City of Lake Wales, City Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 1320, Lake Wales, FL 33859-1320

Board/Commission/Committee

~~Police~~ - Police Officers Pension Board

Applying for:

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reappointment

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new appointment

Yes
Full-time

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Yes
Part-time

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No

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Yes

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No

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City Resident?

City Business Tax?

Yes,
Florida

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Yes,
Other

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No

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Registered Voter?

Own Property in City?

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Name

Leon W. Welch

Home Address

1229 Triangle Dr.

Home Phone

cell

863-605-1535

Business Address

N/A

Business Phone

N/A

Employer

Self Employed

Occupation/Type of Business

Investor/sales

If applicant is not a city resident or does not pay business tax to city, please provide physical address of property owned within the city limits.

N/A

Special knowledge or experience applicable to function of board/commission/committee

Business Admin.
Stock Investor
Business Owner
Sales, Marketing Exec.

Other community involvement

Current member FFTA
2 terms Code Enforcement
Board of Dr. Literacy Council (former)
SAC committee LWCS

Fla. Statute 760.80 requires the City of Lake Wales to maintain and report the following information:

Race/Ethnicity

African-American

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Asian-American

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Hispanic-American

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Native-American

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Caucasian

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Gender

Male

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Female

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Physically Disabled?

Yes

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No

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I understand that I may be required to complete a Financial Disclosure Form in accordance with the requirements of Florida Law for every year during which I serve as an appointee. I further understand that refusal to file a required Financial Disclosure will result in my removal from the board/commission/committee to which I have been appointed.

applicant initials

Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

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Yes

If yes, please explain on separate paper and attach to application.

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No

List 3 references who reside in the city: 678-4223

Chris Velazquez Chief of Police

name

lw

phone

David Smith NAACP 528-8085

name

NAACP

phone

Dore Lillman LWCS 678-4222

name

LWCS

phone

Contact City Clerk's Office to schedule appointment with board chairman and board support staff.

applicant signature

[Signature]

date

8/22/14

If the applicant is not appointed at the next City Commission meeting scheduled for the purpose of making appointments, this application will be retained on file for 6 months.

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