

Nostalgic Gazette

Summary of September Pension Board Meeting

The Board approved a vested retirement allowance for Karen Jones who retired from the Parking department with 10.77 years of creditable service time.

The Board approved a retirement allowance for Freddie Dennis who retired from the Police department with 26.25 years of creditable service time.

The Board approved a retirement allowance for Brinsfield Jones who retired from Code Compliance with 20.92 years of creditable service time.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW RETIREES!

The Board approved a pensioners allowance for Richard Reeves dependent beneficiary of Juliet Reeves who passed away on August 8, 2011.

The pension payroll for the month of September was \$2,521,010.15 and the expenses for the month of September were \$82,885.72.

- The next Pension Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 10:00 am in the Pension Office Conference Room.
- Need a Direct Deposit Form, Change of Address Form, or a W4P Form download on online at www.MBERP.com
- Remember to cast your ballot before September 30, 2011 for your representative of the Board of Trustees.

Obituaries.

William Fox, who retired from the Finance department on October 1, 1986 passed away on September 3, 2011 at the age of 97.

Juliet Reeves, who retired from the City of Miami Beach on January 15, 1986 passed away on August 8, 2011 at the age of 83.

Ann Watkins, dependent beneficiary of McKinley Watkins passed away on July 14, 2011 at the age of 65.

Morgan Wood, who retired from Public Works department on August 11, 1970 passed away on September 7, 2011 at the age of 95.

Notice of Election

In the upcoming days you will receive a packet in the mail containing a Ballot with instructions for you to elect a retired member representing the Miami Beach Employees' Retirement Plan. The deadline for the Pension office to receive the ballot will be Friday, September 30, 2011 please remember to return you ballot. In lieu of mailing your ballot you may come to the pension office to VOTE in person on Friday, September 30, 2011 from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Please see candidate bio's attached.



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It has been an honor and a privilege to serve and represent the employees and retirees of the City of Miami Beach as a Pension Trustee for the last 19 years. I am requesting your continual support in the upcoming election. Here are a few facts to keep in mind.

Employment City of Miami Beach Beach Patrol - 29 years service
Recipient Career Award for Outstanding Service

Education FIU Masters Degree - Computer Science
Florida Certified Pension Trustee
University of Pennsylvania Wharton School Trustee Investment Program Graduate

Pension City of Miami Beach Pension trustee - 19 years
Chairman of the Board City of Miami Beach Pension - 13 years

Helped develop investment strategies which have consistently yielded higher than average returns while taking less risk.

Helped cut investment fees which have resulted in millions of dollars in savings without compromising investment returns.

Helped keep the Plan at a high level of funding for nearly 20 years.

Advocated benefit increases in times of over-funding. Initiated the idea of a 2.5% compound Cost of Living Adjustment at the board level and worked on the idea for over five years before it was instituted.

To the Retired Members of the City of Miami Beach

My name is Joseph Oliva; I was born in Buenos Aires; Argentina, I completed my education with a fourth degree in the University Of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

I started working for the City of Miami Beach, on January 1980, as electrician, after I passed a test and an examination.

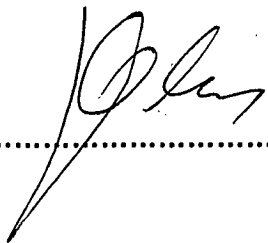
A couple of years later I was appointed to be a Union Rep. for Building Maintenance Dept. I attended to various seminars in the City and in Dade County. When there was an opening for Supervisor in the Electrical Dept. I applied for it; I passed the test and became Electrical Supervisor. During this period I was honored with numerous commendations, complements and recognitions, and the employee of the month several times, the Civic Award and many others. All the years I worked for the City I was a devoted employee and always trying to improve the City's facilities, replacing the thousands of fluorescent lamps from a 40 watts to 34 watts, and 6 watts per lamp this saved the City a tremendous amount of money, replacing and reducing the lamps in Flamingo Park Baseball Field (The old lamps cost \$150- each, the new lamps cost \$60-)reducing and providing better illumination, installing 70% of lamps also removed asbestos transformers for the new wiring (The asbestos was expelling a poisoned dust). I also rewired and repair the system on Flamingo Park Football Field and North Shore Park as well as the Baseball Field. In the Flagler Monument Island the City was having continuo's problems with the electrical system, the wires feeding from the Venetian Causeway Island was cut off every week, I

volunteered to fix the problem and with the help of the Police Dep't
And a diver we ran a new cable and secured it in the bottom of the
waterway, also repaired the electrical system in the Flagler Monument
Island.

I was very active when I joined "The Quality Circle" and we came out
with a new Logo for the City of Miami Beach. With the help of Mr.
Charlie Newton who allowed me the use of the soccer fields and access
to the lighting, I started coaching Soccer for the City and later for the
Police Dept. we entered in tournaments winning several Cups and
medals. In 1990 I was transferred to Miami Beach Convention Center as
Electrical Supervisor Very shortly SMG was assigned to do the
maintenance in the Convention Center and in the Jackie Gleason
Theatre. Mr. Doug Tober Manager of SMG called me and asked if I
would sing with the Company.

For the MBCC an JGT I done several Improvements, reducing lamps
wattages without reducing Illumination, installing time switches In all
Mtg. rooms, I contacted Companies of electrical engineers and showed
them the entire Building requesting to bring a system to control the
lighting In the building by the computers, SMG approved the proposal
and today the entire building is controlled by the computers.

I volunteer myself to work with the City of Miami Beach retirees
Committee and cooperate with my experience and knowledge to help
in all matters thank you yours truly Joseph Oliva.


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