



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Minutes of the Finance Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation**

11:30 AM

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

**Cook County Building, Board Room,
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois
(Board Room Closed to Public -
Meeting Virtual for Public)**

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman S. Morrison, Vice-Chairman Britton, Commissioners Degnen, K. Morrison and Johnson (5)

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to allow for remote participation in meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman S. Morrison, Vice-Chairman Britton, Commissioners Degnen, and Johnson (4)

Absent: K. Morrison (1)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman S. Morrison asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in Accordance with Cook County Code.

No speakers.

Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, moved that the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee convene in Open Session to consider matters of pending Workers' Compensation. The motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, moved Approval of the cases over \$25,000.00. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 3/15/2022

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve 22-2645. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman S. Morrison, Vice-Chairman Britton, Commissioners Degnen, and Johnson
(4)
Absent: K. Morrison (1)

1. SETTLEMENTS AND DECISIONS

AKINYEMI, PIPELAYO

15 WC 21236

Petitioner had just administered medication to a patient when she went to sit in a chair when the chair rolled back resulting in her falling to the floor.

14 WC 11173

Petitioner slipped on water going from room to room, falling on her buttocks.

18 WC 3876

Petitioner's back popped when attempting to change the dressing of the back of patient.

18 WC 3868

Petitioner complained of pain after pulling a patient on a cart during emergency.

18 WC 3869

Petitioner reported that when she reached to open the door as she was getting a patient, it felt like she pulled something in her back. Petitioner saw a patient who looked like he was about to fall and helped that patient from falling resulting in low back symptoms.

18 WC 18136

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

AUGUST, JAMES

20 WC 19390-20 WC 20941

Petitioner injured his left knee while restraining a resident.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

BROCK, KATHLEEN

18 WC 12344 18 WC 12731

Petitioner was at work breaking up a fight between residents and injured her lower back.

18 WC 30214

Petitioner was at work breaking up a fight between residents and fell into a brick wall injuring her right arm.

19 WC 23498

Petitioner was at work separating residents and felt a pull in her right shoulder and cervical spine.

20 WC 24865

Petitioner was at work separating residents when she injured her lumbar spine and right hip.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

ESCOBEDO, JENNIFER

21 WC 23831

Petitioner injured her head; neck; right eye; lower back; right knee; left hand; and brain (psychological injury) during an altercation with an inmate.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

FITZMAURICE, JOHN

18 WC 04989

Petitioner was at work lifting a can of paint and felt a pop in his left shoulder and cervical neck area.

19 WC 01384

Petitioner was at work lifting a can of paint when he felt pain in his left and right hands.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

GRASSANO, MASSIMO

21 WC 05756

Petitioner was at work drilling through concrete when he began to feel pain in his right wrist.

21 WC 05755

Petitioner was at work drilling through wall and felt pain in his right index finger.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

GREEN, CHRISTOPHER

19 WC 33776

Petitioner injured his left knee, head and lower back when he was involved in an altercation with a detainee.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

KIRKLIN, SHENEA

16 WC 09707

Petitioner slipped and fell on black ice at work and sustained injuries to her right shoulder and lumbar spine.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

LAPE, ERIC
19 WC 24987

Petitioner injured his left shoulder, left knee, right elbow, right eye, and back when a detainee struck him, causing him to fall to the ground.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

LORENZ, PATRICK
07 WC 40231

Petitioner slid in a ditch and injured his low back and right leg.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

LOY, DONALD
12 WC 37880 12 WC 25338

Petitioner was injured in an altercation with a detainee. He sustained injuries to his lumbar spine, left knee, left shoulder, and right shoulder.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

SNEED, ANDRE
20 WC 15344

Petitioner injured his right shoulder, head, neck, and lower back during a motor vehicle accident.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

VASQUEZ, VICTOR
18 WC 7316

Petitioner fell, injuring his left elbow and left wrist, while separating two fighting detainees.

Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Degnen moved Approval. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman S. Morrison, Vice-Chairman Britton, Commissioners Degnen, and Johnson
(4)

Absent: K. Morrison (1)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sam M. Morrison".

Chairman

LYNNE M. TURNER
Secretary

A complete record of this meeting is available at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>.