

**MINUTES OF
PENSION AND RETIREMENT BOARD
MEETING HELD
DECEMBER 17, 2009 – 7:30 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM A – PARSONS GOVERNMENT COMPLEX**

MEMBERS PRESENT

J. Sartor
M. Chaco
C. Cody
S. Firmender
W. Schempp
W. Shea
D. Eisenhandler
R. Lynch
G. Compare
J. Whitaker
D. McKenna
M. Hedman
P. Staneski
R. Elwell
T. Lewis
G. Behrle

MEMBERS ABSENT

G. Nosal
T. Fino
L. Mahoney

ALSO PRESENT

Jane Sterback, Pension Office
Maryanne DeTullio, Rec. Sec.

Chairman Sartor called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Disposition of Minutes:

Mr. Lewis moved to accept the minutes of the November 19, 2009 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Staneski and carried unanimously.

Report of the Chairman

Chm. Sartor stated that a check was received from litigation regarding United Health in the amount of \$20,077.62.

Pension Requests

(a) Alan Jepson

Code 5 – City Clerk

Regular Retirement - Calculations

Ms. Lynch moved that Alan Jepson be granted a regular retirement pension in the annual amount of \$35,900.75, monthly payments of \$2,991.73, retroactive to 11/18/09. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenhandler and carried unanimously.

(b) John F. Gregorio

Code 3 – Police Department

Non-Service Connected Dis. Ret.

Calculations

Mr. Compare moved to terminate the regular pension for John F. Gregorio and accept the non-service connected disability retirement pension retroactive to August 28, 2009.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenhandler. Mr. Eisenhandler stated that the Board accepted the regular retirement pension application with the understanding that he would apply for a non-service connected disability pension and it would be retroactive.

Mr. Compare stated that the applicant had no income coming in so he chose to do it that way. Mr. Cody stated that the regular retirement pension was granted effective August 28, 2009 and he is now substituting that pension with a non-service connected disability pension retroactive to August 28, 2009. The Board now has to decide when the non-service connected pension is effective. Mr. Shea stated that he was concerned that everyone will now come in and apply for a regular pension and then apply for a non-service connected disability pension. He was concerned that this would start a precedent. Mr. Compare stated that this individual has been without any income that is

why it was done this way. Mr. Sartor stated that it was handled that way because it was taken into consideration and given a regular pension because he was entitled to it and now we will consider the non-service disability pension. The vote on the motion was 6 to 6 and the Chairman voted against the motion and therefore it failed.

Mr. Cody moved to grant a non-service connected disability pension to John F. Gregorio effective 11/20/09. The motion was seconded by Mr. Staneski and carried unanimously.

Mr. Cody moved to clarify that the pension granted as of 11/20/09 is the only pension that Mr. Gregorio will receive and the regular pension will cease when the non-service disability pension starts. The motion was seconded by Mr. Elwell and carried unanimously.

Mr. Cody moved to grant John F. Gregorio a non-service connected disability pension in the annual amount of \$39,041.23, monthly payments of \$3,253.44, commencing 11/20/09. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whitaker and carried unanimously.

(c) Diane Goessinger

Code 5 – BOE Secretary

Regular Retirement – Calcul. Pending

(d) Carol DeBiase

Code 5 – BOE Benefits

Regular Retirement – Calcul. Pending

Mr. Cody moved to table the regular retirement pension requests from Diane Goessinger and Carol DeBiase until such time as calculations are available to the Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenhandler and carried unanimously.

(e) Kevin Katrick

Code 5 – PW – Highway

Regular (Early) Retirement –

Calculations Pending

Mr. Lewis stated that a letter was submitted from Kevin Katrick and Mr. Katrick asked that it be read into the record. Mr. Cody moved that the regular (early) retirement request from Kevin Katrick be tabled until calculations are available. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whitaker. Mr. Lewis read the letter from Mr. Katrick. The applicant is asking to waive the penalty for early retirement. Mr. Sartor stated that it is contractual language which deals with the penalty and this Board cannot waive the language of the contract. Mr. Sartor stated that if he was hurt on the job why is he not applying for a service connected disability pension. Mr. Lewis stated that he was advised on how to proceed and he did not follow the advice given him. The motion was carried unanimously.

(f) Mark Freeman

Code 3 – Police Department

Service Connected Disability Ret. –

Pending

Mr. Compare moved that the application from Mark Freeman for a service connected disability retirement pension be tabled. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenhandler and carried unanimously.

Withdrawals and Refunds

(a) Ethan Mitkowski

Code 3- Police Department

Entered 10/7/05 Term: 11/5/09

Principal \$14,049.89

Interest 1,542.84

Total \$15,592.73

Mr. Compare moved to accept the withdrawal request from Ethan Mitkowski. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenhandler and carried unanimously.

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(b) Pasquale Iorfino

Code 5 – BOE (Media Aide)

Entered 10/25/99 Term: 11/25/09

Principal \$7,195.71

Interest 2,320.66

Total \$9,516.37

Mr. Whitaker moved that the withdrawal request from Pasquale Iorfino be accepted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eisenhandler and carried unanimously.

Buy Ins – None

Contingent Annuitant Option

(a) Arthur Berube

Code 5 - PW – Wastewater

Request for 100% Contingent

Annuitant Option – Beneficiary

Janice Berube Wife

Mr. Lewis moved that the 100% contingent annuitant option request from Arthur Berube be accepted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Staneski and carried unanimously.

Invoices:

(a) Boyd Watterson (TALF)

Mr. Elwell moved that Boyd Watterson (TALF) be paid the sum of \$11,139.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whitaker and carried unanimously.

Report of the Investment Advisor – No Report

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Applications of Entry

(a) Amy Shields

Code 5 – Health Dept.

Entry 10/26/09 DOB: 09/27/85

(b) Christine Angelica

Code 9 – Building Dept.

Entry 11/23/09 DOB: 06/02/68

Committee Reports

(a) Asset Allocation & Disbursing Comm. – No Report

(b) Committee for Proxy Voting – No Report

(c) Committee Regarding Audit – No Report

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Eisenhandler, seconded by Mr. Lewis and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Maryanne DeTullio
Recording Secretary

UNAPPROVED – SUBJECT TO CORRECTION