

Brockton Contributory Retirement Minutes for March 25, 2020 at 1:00 P.M.

William R. Farmer, Chairman

Archibald Gormley, Jr., Elected

John A. Condon, Appointed

Scott G. Albanese, Elected

MaryLynn Peters Chu, Ex Officio

Executive Director, Jeanne Martineau present

Votes to be recorded as (Yes- No- Abstain)

No members of the public present due to Governor Baker's Executive Order signed March 12, 2020, wherein certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law were temporarily amended.

Chair notes that due to the Corona Virus, Members Scott Albanese and Mel Peters Chu will be participating remotely via telephone conference pursuant to 940 CMR 29.10(5)

Note: All Board Members are clearly audible to each other.

HEARING:

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to open the Cost of Living Hearing.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

All Board members spoke in favor of granting the maximum COLA

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to grant the maximum Cost of Living Adjustment of 3% on the first \$12,000.00 effective July 01, 2020.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to close the Cost of Living Hearing.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

Minutes:

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to approve the minutes of February 18, 2020.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), M.P.C. (I), S.A. (A)

(4-0-1)

Ex Session

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to approve the Executive Session minutes of February 18, 2020 for Archibald Gormley, Jr. medical records, not subject to release.

A.G. recuses himself

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), B.F. (I), M.P.C. (I), S.A. (A)

(4-0-1)

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- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to approve the Executive Session minutes of February 18, 2020 for James Brunetti; medical records, not subject to release.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), M.P.C. (I), S.A. (A)

(4-0-1)

Vendor and Payroll Warrant:

- Motion by J. Condon, second by M. Peters Chu to approve and authorize the payment of bills listed on the warrant of March 31, 2020.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to approve and authorize the Contributory Pension Payroll for March 31, 2020.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

Refunds

Alexandre E. Souto	Fire Dept. (<i>makeup ded in error</i>)
Michelle J. Emory	School Dept.
Michael, P. D’Avolio	Water/Sewer (<i>ded in error</i>)
Eileen Arienti	School Dept.
Amanda Sabol	School Dept.
James J. White	School Dept.

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to accept refunds as listed

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

Transfers Out

n/a

Retirement Applications Received:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Joan Keohane	School	Superannuation	March 06, 2020
Vicki B. Taylor	School	Superannuation	March 09, 2020
Michelle A. Poor	Library	Superannuation	May 01, 2020
Margaret Pauline	Housing	Superannuation	May 04, 2020
Michael V. Damiano	Police	Superannuation	May 05, 2020
Andrew Cesarini, Sr.	Police	Superannuation	May 05, 2020

Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to accept the applications as listed above

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

Educational Opportunities

Opal's Annual Public Funds Summit East in Newport RI July 20-22 (*prev. emailed to Bd 2/27*)

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to approve travel for any Board members who wish to attend

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

February

Warrant Check Series Used: #401741-401778

Retiree's Payroll Check Series Used: #401779-401794

Retiree's Payroll End Check Series Used: #401795-401800

Void/cancel Checks: # n/a

Replacement Check Series Used: # n/a

Replacement Checks for Cash Project: # n/a

Financials

Not available; year-end reports incomplete

SEI Financials; 2019 performance reports distributed via email.

Disabilities

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing medical records

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

SHARON MORAN, Medical Panel Certificate and Narratives received; one physician answered NO to causality.

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to accept the medical panel majority opinion and to forward the Disability Transmittal to PERAC.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

LEE ZWEIGMAN, PERAC sent letter of remand dated March 09, 2020. PERAC finds that the Applicant was not injured in the performance of her duties.

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to accept PERAC's letter of remand and to deny the Accidental Disability Application.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to exit Executive Session for purposes of discussing medical records

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

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OLD BUSINESS

Appeals

The Decision of the Contributory Retirement Appeal Board for Thomas Lambert and Stephen O'Malley (Petitioners) v. Brockton Retirement Board (Respondent) CR Numbers 12-126 & 12-132.

Tabled:

Other Business

Due to the unprecedented circumstances of the Corona Virus Pandemic the Chair expressed his gratitude and praise to the staff. He proposed that a one time bonus be given to the two Administrative Support staff who assisted the Executive Director in maintaining the business continuity plan.

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to grant the two support staff a one time bonus payment of \$1,500.00, not subject to pension.

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

NON-ACTION ITEMS

Notice of Deaths

Retirees:

Lawrence B Noonan, retired firefighter, deceased February 26, 2020. Option C benefits to be paid to his spouse Frances Noonan.

Rosalie M Carr, retired School MTA, deceased March 3, 2020. No further payments shall be made in her name after the date of her death.

Sylvia A Perretta, retired School Café, deceased March 10, 2020. No further payments shall be made in her name after the date of her death.

Retirement Approvals

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Leo J. Cesarini	Ret; Police	Option C Pop Up	11/25/2019
Pamela S. Dollfuss	School	Superannuation	12/20/2020
Janice Ulianelli	School	Superannuation	12/31/2020
Edward MacDonald, Jr.	Housing	Superannuation	12/31/2020
Jeanne Schell	School	Superannuation	01/02/2020
Phillip Nesralla	Law Office	Superannuation	01/03/2020
Richard J. Linehan, Jr.	Police	Superannuation	01/03/2020

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Other Business

Email from Mass Retirees received March 06, regarding post-retirement excess earnings for retirees returning to public sector employment, changing average hours worked from 18.5 to 23 hours weekly (*prev emailed to Bd. 3/6*).

SEI emailed Revised IMA effective March 01, 2020, on 03/09/20. OCIO is selling Dynamic Asset Allocation fund and moving proceeds to the S&P 500 Fund.

Retirement Office Business Continuity:

U.S. Mail-
Email -
Retiree Payroll-
Vendor Warrant-
Bank of America ACH-
Access to PTG -
Access to Public Files within our Database -
Staff Payroll -

OLD BUSINESS

2019 Statement of Financial Interest due May 01, 2020 (*prev. emailed to bd. 1/20/20*)

PERAC Memos

<http://www.mass.gov/perac/forms-pubs/memos/>

11 was the last one on the Feb agenda

PERAC Memo 13-20; Updated PERAC Forms

PERAC Memo 14-20; Minimum Distribution 70.5

PERAC Memo 15-20; Corona Virus, Contingency Planning (*temporary changes to OML*)

PERAC Memo 16-20; Corona Virus Update (*PERAC on skeleton crew*)

PERAC Memo 17-20; Corona Virus Impact (*PERAC closed*)

Next meeting Tuesday 4/28/2020 at 1:00 P.M.

- Motion by A. Gormley, second by J. Condon to adjourn the meeting

Roll call vote: J.C. (I), A.G. (I), B.F. (I), S.A. (I), M.P.C. (I)

Meeting adjourned (*1:15*):

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NOTE: Due to Corona Virus, and Governor Bakers's Executive Order of March 12, 2020 the Board accepted these minutes during their Remote Participation Meeting on April 28, 2020.

Signatures will follow when allowed.