



CITY OF TRENTON
FIRE AND POLICE PENSION BOARD OF TRUSTEES
2800 Third Street • Trenton, Michigan 48183



Minutes of the Regular Meeting November 18, 2020

Time: 10:30 A.M.

Members Present: M. McCullough,
Sean Szczepaniak, B. Jocks, N. Blackledge, E. Davis
Members Absent: F. Cavazos

Others: Karen Sall, Jill Cooper, John Bussa, Aaron Castle, Brian Green, Mark Buis, Laura Frankowiak

Meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. via zoom conference

Re: Agenda modifications

Add Summary Annual Report under 6a

In order comply with stipulations of the Open Meetings Act for virtual meetings, the roll was called and members answered and identified where they were accessing meeting.

Re: Minutes of the Meeting held October 21, 2020

Not available

Re: Communications

Not available

Re: Actuary

Mark Buis and Laura Frankowiak

- a. **Sixty Eighth Annual Actuarial Valuation:** Laura Frankowiak and Mark Buis of Gabriel Roeder presented the annual valuation and answered trustee questions.

2020-11-1 Resolution by Jocks supported by Blackledge

Whereas, the Board is in receipt of the Sixty Seventh Actuarial Valuation as of June 30, 2019, which has been submitted by the actuary, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company, to the Board of Trustees for consideration and approval, and

Whereas, the Board of Trustees has the legal and fiduciary obligation to assure that employer contributions are in accordance with Article 9, Section 24 of the State of Michigan Constitution, and

Whereas, the Board has the duty (1) to approve or disapprove the Actuarial Valuation as of June 30, 2020, (2) to certify to the employer-city the amount of employer contribution required for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, (as reflected by the Actuarial Valuation as of June 30, 2020 pg A-2); therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board hereby approves the Actuarial Valuation as of June 30, 2020 as submitted by the actuary and approves a transfer of funds, to the extent possible, from the Reserve for Employer Contributions to the Reserve Retired Benefit Payments as of June 30, 2020 and be it further

Resolved, that the Board approves \$2,145,255 as the employer's annual contribution for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021

Yeas: all Members present

b. **GASB 67-68**

2020-11-2 Resolution by Jocks supported by Davis

Resolved, that the Board receives and places on file the GASB 67-68 financial report

Yeas: all Members present

Re: Investment Consultant

Brian Green

a. **Performance Update**

Mr. Green presented, the preliminary Q3 performance report along with rebalancing recommendations to provide cash for pension obligations.

2020-11-4 Resolution by Jocks, supported by Davis

Resolved that the board receive the Q3 performance review from its investment consultant and adopt the recommended liquidity plan, redeeming \$100,000 from First Eagle Overseas and \$300,000 from WCM focused Growth International to fulfill December pension obligations, and be it further

Resolved to withdraw from S&P 500 Index Fund for any residual cash needs before the January 2021 meeting with approval by Board President or Plan Secretary.

Yeas: all Members present

2020-11-5 Resolution by Blackledge, supported by Davis

Resolved that upon the recommendation of its investment consultant, the board rebalance Vanguard S&P 500 Index Fund to Fidelity S&P 500 Index fund for an estimated cost savings of \$4,896 per year; and be it further

Resolved that the board rebalance Vanguard Extended Market Index Fund to Fidelity Extended Market Index fund for an estimated cost savings of \$466 per year.

Yeas: all Members present

2020-11-6 Resolution by Davis, supported by Jocks

Resolved that the board terminate Templeton Globe Bond Fund and move the assets into Loomis Sayles Core Plus Bond Fund.

Yeas: all Members present

2020-11-7 Resolution by Jocks, supported by Szczepaniak

Resolved that the board commit to investing \$1,000,000 in Marathon Distressed Debt Fund subject to legal review and contractual obligations.

Roll call vote:

McCullough – yes

Davis – yes

Jocks – yes

Blackledge – yes

Szczepaniak - yes

Mr. Green has also recommended investing in HIG Bayside Loan Opportunity Fund IV which will be discussed at the January meeting.

Re: Summary Annual Report

Jill Cooper

Ms. Cooper presented the summary annual report to the board for approval

2020-11-8 Resolution by Jocks supported by Blackledge.

Whereas, The Board of Trustees is vested with the general administration, management and operation of the retirement system and has fiduciary responsibilities relative to the proper administration of the pension trust fund, and

Whereas, the Board assumes the responsibility of providing an annual report to its plan members detailing the value of plan; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board approves the 2020 Summary Annual report as presented by the Plan Secretary and directs that it be sent to the State of Michigan, posted online and distributed to plan members.

Yeas: all Members present

Re: Legal

- a. Proposal to stagger 4 year terms for trustees

2020-11-9 Resolution by Davis supported by Szczepaniak.

Resolved, that the Board receive and place on file the proposal submitted to the Mayor allowing for 4 year appointed terms for trustees to be staggered by one year to insure smooth transitions.

Yeas: all Members present

Trustee election policy

2020-11-10 Resolution by Davis supported by Blackledge

See attached resolution

Re: Invoices

- a. MAPERS.....\$200.00

2020-11-11 Resolution by Blackledge supported by Szczepaniak

Whereas, the Board has received and reviewed an invoice from MAPERS for membership renewal; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board approves payment of \$200.00 to MAPERS; and be it further

Resolved, that Plan Secretary Sall is directed to act upon the Board’s behalf when submitting these invoices to Comerica Bank for payment.

Yeas: all Members present

The names of alternate trustees will be added to the membership renewal

Public Comment

No items

Upcoming Events

- Next Board meeting – **December 16, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.** at Trenton City Hall or via zoom conferencing subject to Board approval.

Resolved, that the meeting be adjourned at 12:20 p.m

Yeas: all Members present

Minutes prepared by Pension Board Recording Secretary: _____

Leah Iglehart

Mike McCullough-President

Bruce Jocks – Secretary/ Treasurer