

Worcester Retirement Board Meeting Minutes
August 18th 2022

The Worcester Retirement Board met at 9:10 a.m. in Open Public Session on Thursday, August 18th, 2022 in the Levi Lincoln Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall, Worcester, Ma. 01608 for their regular meeting.

Board members E. Early, M. Wally, R. Stearns, and T. Cullen were present. C. Collins was present as Board council.

Stephan Georgacopoulos, Pension Technology Group representative was in attendance to present cybersecurity controls within the PTG system to the Board.

The Board convened in executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a) (1) and 21(a) (3) to conduct disability hearings and discuss litigation strategy regarding pending cases at 9:48 am by roll call vote and did not reconvene in open session.

The Next Meeting date was set for: September 8th 2022 Regular Meeting 8:30 a.m.

The Board accepted the July Regular Minutes (4-0)

ALL BENEFITS APPROVED BY THE WORCESTER RETIREMENT BOARD ARE SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY P.E.R.A.C

Approved Collectively Superannuation M.G.L. c. 32 § 5

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Option</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Bertel, Margaret	WPS	IA	22	A	08/28/22
Burns, Doris	Police	Admin.Asst.	37	C	08/27/22
Cheney, Jon	WHA	Accoutnant	15	A	08/26/22
Clancey, Lyn	WPS	IA	20	B	08/30/22
DePasquale, Catherine	WPS	IA	35	B	08/31/22
Gervais, Donna	WPS	IA	30	B	08/19/22
Gilmartin, Joseph	Fire	Lt.	32	C	08/22/22
Gohary, Jeanne	WPS	WordProc.	15	A	08/24/22
Green, Barbara	WPS	Sr. Clerk	26	B	08/16/22
Katinas, Paul	WPS	Custodian	6	C	08/28/22
Lambert, Carol	WPS	IA	24	A	08/01/22
Nigosian, Paul	WPS	IA	10	B	08/16/22
Ryder, John Jr.	Police	Captain	35	C	08/12/22
Sansoucy, Joseph	Code	ChiefBldInsp.	21	A	08/31/22
Sullivan, Daniel	Police	Officer	32	B	08/16/22
Wiktor, Kristen	WPS	Speech Asst.	17	A	08/24/22

Approved Collectively Survivor Benefit M.G.L. c. 32 § 12(2)d

Widow of Mark Sokowaski Code Sr. Plumber 15

R. Stearns gave summary of the monthly financials. The Board filed.

The Board approved to grant the Executive Secretary the recent Non-Union Wage Increase.

L. Poske informed the Board that Jennifer Wood had been hired for the Supervisor of Payrolls position and interviews for the head clerk position have been finalized and a candidate will be selected soon,

The following PERAC memos were presented and reviewed:

- #18 Expiration of Open Meeting Law Waiver
- #19 Extension of Open Meeting law Waiver
- #20 Reinstatement to Service under G.L. 32 s. 105
- #21 Vernava II – Important Update

The following disability retirees were found still unable to work:
Carmody, J

Approved Collectively Warrants:

<u>No.</u>	<u>PaidDate</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
22-19	07/15/2022	Member Refunds	\$ 32,543.44
22-20	07/25/2022	Office Expenses	35,263.16
22-21	07/29/2022	Member Refunds	125,299.67
22-22	07/26/2022	Member Death Refund	66,381.01
	07/08/2022	Office Employee P/R	3,977.20
	07/15/2022	Office Employee P/R	3,977.20
	07/22/2022	Office Employee P/R	4,158.96
	07/29/2022	Office Employee P/R	4,034.00
	07/29/2022	Board Stipend	1,875.00
	07/29/2022	July Retiree Benefits	8,022,879.94

Elizabeth A Early, Elected Member/Chair

Mathew Wally, Appointed Member

Robert V. Stearns, Ex-Officio Member

John Mahan, Elected Member

Tamara Cullen, Elected Member

Lisa Poske, Executive Secretary

The Following was handled in executive session

July Executive Session Minutes

Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 7 Reports Received

Davilla, Jacqueline WPS Bus Monitor 9

Involuntary Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 7 & 16 Evidentiary

Kachadoorian, Jon Police PO 28

Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 7 & 94 Evidentiary

Lavoie, Michael Fire Fire Chief 34 (Retired 1/22/22)