

Worcester Retirement Board Meeting Minutes
July 14th 2022

The Worcester Retirement Board met at 8:30 a.m. in Open Public Session on Thursday, July 14th, 2022 in the **Levi Lincoln Chambers**, 3rd Floor, City Hall, Worcester, Ma. 01608 for their regular monthly meeting at 8:30 a.m..

Board members E. Early, M. Wally, R. Stearns, T. Cullen and J. Mahan were present. M. Sacco was present as Board council.

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 8:30 am by roll call vote and reconvened into open session at 9:20 a.m.

The Next Meeting Dates were set for: August 18th 2022 Financial Meeting 8:30 a.m.
August 18th 2022 Regular Meeting 9:30 a.m.

The Board accepted the June Regular Minutes, June Financial Minutes (5-0)

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

<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept.</i>	<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Option</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>
Assad Jr. , Francis	Police	Lt.	30	C	06/25/2022
Burns, Susan	WPS	IA	14	C	06/21/2022
Cady, Mark	Fire	Lt.	32	B	07/16/2022
Dickie, Kevin	Parks	Tree Climber	34	B	07/30/2022
Dutremble, Robert	WPS	Custodian	27	C	07/15/2022
Early, Thomas M.	WPS	Custodian	29	B	07/01/2022
Johnson, Karen	WPS	Secretary	23	A	06/17/2022
Ryan, Robert	WPS	Custodian	11	A	07/08/2022
Tremblay, Donald	WPS	Sr. Custodian	42	B	07/01/2022
Valentin, Aurea	Police	Sr, Clerk	15	C	06/28/2022

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

L. Poske informed the Board that PTG and Technical Services will each present to the Board at later meeting to discuss security procedures in place in regards to cybersecurity.

The following PERAC memos were presented and reviewed:

#15 Tobacco Company List

#16 Calendar Year 22' Waiver of S.91 Limits for Superannuation

#17 Mandatory Board Training 3rd Qtr

The Board discussed the 840 CMR 28.00 Draft. Once passed the Board will work to create a supplemental regulation in regards to the acceptance of digital signatures.

The Board Discussed the recent Premium Pay that was awarded to qualifying employees in regards to the pandemic. L. Poske stated she was told HR did not qualify and has put in an appeal and will update the Board as it processes.

The following disability retirees were found still unable to work:

Coyne, J | Fiorino, J

Approved Collectively Warrants:

<u>No.</u>	<u>PaidDate</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
22-15	06/10/2022	Member Death Refund	151,817.07
22-16	06/24/2022	Member Refunds	91,447.16
22-17	06/24/2022	Office Expenses	22,655.50
	06/10/2022	Office Employee P/R	3,995.20
	06/16/2022	Office Employee P/R	3,977.20
	06/24/2022	Office Employee P/R	3,977.21
	06/30/2022	Office Employee P/R	3,977.20
	06/30//2022	Board Stipend	1,875.00
	06/30/2022	June Retiree Benefits	8,080,132.50

The Board adjourned at 9:31 a.m. by roll call vote

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

May Executive Session Minutes

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

Sweeney, Stephen	DPW	Laborer/MEO	14
James, Ernest	WHA	Carpenter	18

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

Nishan, Scott	WHA	Sr. Maint. Tech.	22
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