

**Worcester Retirement Monthly Board Meeting  
August 22, 2019**

The Worcester Retirement Board met at 8:42 a.m. in Open Public Session on Thursday August 22, 2019 in the Levi Lincoln Chamber, Worcester City Hall Worcester, MA.

In attendance were board members, Steve Wentzel (chair), Elizabeth Early, John Mahan, and Tamara Cullen; as well as HR Attorney Kimberly McMahon.

The next Board Meeting date was moved to September 13<sup>th</sup> 2019 to allow the Board to attend PERAC's Emerging Issues Forum at Holy Cross

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 on a roll call vote. The Board reconvened in Open Session immediately following the Executive Session at approximately 9:45 a.m.

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

The Board accepted the minutes of July Meetings by roll call vote. Unanimous.

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Option</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Akman, Joyce	WPS (IA)	16	C	8/15/2019
Barry, Anthony	Fire (FF)	33	C	8/14/2019
Benoit, Eileen	TS (ProdSupvr)	43	A	8/03/2019
Courville, Douglas	Fire (DFC)	31	C	9/07/2019
Davila, Miriam	WPS (IA)	37	B	8/22/2019
Dawidoczyk, John	Fire ( Captain)	35	C	7/27/2019
Lotsbom, Robert	Police(Lt)	41	C	9/01/2019
Norling, Deborah	DPW&P (AdmAst)	41	C	9/07/2019
Person, Kenneth	WPS(PlntMgr)	12	A	9/08/2019
Peters, Catherine	DPW&P (PC Officer)	30	B	6/20/2019
Rosario, Angel	WHA (DirPubSfty)	22	B	8/31/2019
Salas, Isreal	DPW&P (GenFrmn)	24	B	9/06/2019
Titus, Deborah	WPS (WrkPrc)	32	B	8/03/2019
Trebicka, Vjollca	WPS (IA)	12	A	8/21/2019
Ursoleo, Michael	DPW&P (WrkFmn)	32	A	8/06/2019
Valois, Lynn	Police (PrnClk&Typ)	32	A	7/30/2019
Whalen, David	WPS (Elctn)	26	A	8/10/2019
Young, Rainell	WPS (FacCoord)	34	B	9/01/2019

**Approved: Survivor Benefit M.G.L. c. 32 §12(2) D**

Son of John Kennedy

Fire (LT)

Died 7/20/2019

The Board was provided with the following financial information:

June Trial Balance, Custodial Report, C/R & C/D

July Cash Flow, Custodial Report, C/R & C/D,

Peoples United Cash July 2019, YTD July 2019 Office Budget

It was noted that the Legal Expense is on track to exceed budgeted amount for year.

Cybersecurity Update and approval by Board to assess PTG payroll application was given with the report to be in memo form. Cost of \$ 4,299 approved.

The following **PERAC MEMOs** are on the PROSPER website for Board review.

#19/2019 - Mandatory Retirement Board Member Training – 3rd Quarter 2019

#20/2019 - Reinstatement to Service under G.L. c. 32 § 105

#21/2019 - COLA Increase for Dependents and Survivors

The PERAC request for termination on J. Chavarria was tabled until we have proof that he received the certified letter.

The following **Retiree Evaluation** is available for review on the PROSPER site:

Robert Wedgewood

**Approved Collectively Warrants:**

<u>No.</u>	<u>Paid Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
19-23	7/12/2019	Bill Pay – 3(8)c	1,128,041.63
19-24	8/09/2019	Member Transfers	108,285.61
19-25	8/09/2019	Member Refunds	41,089.82
19-26	7/26/2019	Bill Pay	71,310.47
19-27	7/26/2019	Member Refund	75,684.54
	07/05/2019	Office Employee P/R	6,432.48
	07/12/2019	Office Employee P/R	6,697.32
	07/19/2019	Office Employee P/R	6,297.16
	07/26/2019	Office Employee P/R	6,697.32
	08/02/2019	Office Employee P/R	6,697.32
	08/09/2019	Office Employee P/R	6,697.32
	07/26/2019	Board Stipend	1,875.00
	0731/2019	July Retiree Benefits	\$ 7,153,794.11

The Board adjourned at approximately 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Elizabeth A. Early, Executive Secretary and Elected Member

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Stephen F. Wentzell, Appointed Member/Acting Chairman

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John F. Mahan, Elected Member

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Robert V. Stearns, Ex Officio Member

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Tamara Cullen, Fifth Member

***The following was handled in Executive Session:***

***Accidental Death M.G.L. c. 32 §9 Reports Received***

Widow of Wilfred L'Esperance    Fire (Retired)    Died 7/29/2018

MTRS 3(8)c Bill

Executive Secretary position