

NEWTON RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, November 20, 2019 – 3:00 p.m.
Room 211 – Newton City Hall

New Agenda Items:

1. Board to review minutes of meeting held on October 23, 2019.
2. Receipt of an ordinary disability retirement application as submitted by Firefighter Freddy Elmeus.
3. Francesco Daniele of PRIM will provide a portfolio review.

Administrative Agenda Items:

1. Monthly financial reporting for month ending September 30, 2019.
2. New application(s) for superannuation retirement:

Member	Position	Dept.	DOR
Andrea DeRubeis	Executive Assistant	Housing Authority	1/9/2020
Debra Gentile	Payroll Coordinator	Police	1/3/2020
Beverly Hall	Executive Assistant	School	2/5/2020
David Mandatori	Division Foreman	Recreation	1/2/2020
John Rice	Council Member	City Council	12/31/2019
Francie Sheehan	Executive Assistant	School	12/31/2019
Ann Siegel	Teacher Aide	School	12/31/2019

3. Board to approve the following expense warrants:

Warrant# C9-19	11/21/2019	Federal tax deposit funding re: member account disb.	\$ 5,761.09
Warrant# 22-19	11/21/2019	Administrative expense/member account disb.	\$ 303,904.18
Warrant# 23-19	11/27/2019	11/30/19 Contributory Pension Payroll	\$3,519,759.62

4. Director update: PTG payroll conversion; MTRS pending transfers for Newton inactive accounts.

Pending Agenda Items:

1. CRAB decision *PERAC v. CRAB, Swampscott Retirement Board & Vernava*, 478 Mass. 832 (2018). Held pending outcome of lawsuit filed against PERAC.
2. Non-compliant 2018 annual earnings statement filing with PERAC: Loretta King - pension suspended eff. 8/31/19.
3. Non-compliant 2019 retiree affidavit filing. Annette Rowe - pension benefit held as of 9/30/19.
4. Retired Police Chief Cummings pension recalculation. Held pending resolution of back pay issued by City of Newton. **Back pay issued on city payroll dated 11/14/19. Additional 2% retirement deduction of \$166.80 was not withheld. Director Byrne requested payment from Mr. Cummings on 11/13/19.**
5. Current status of pending disability/accidental death retirement application(s):

Applicant	Dept.	Current Status
Annie French	Fire	PERAC approval received 11/18/19.
James Thorne (ret)	Fire	Request to PERAC on 11/18/19 to schedule medical panel exams.

6. Current status of pending appeal cases - **informational only**:

Petitioner	Docket#	Status
Steven Caissie	CR-16-579	Board voted 1/25/17 to withdraw appeal and join Atty. Poser's appeal as a participating party. Atty. Poser filed Joint Pre-Hearing Memorandum with DALA on 9/13/18. Hearing held 8/1/19.
Jeanne Layton	CR-12-527 CR-17-205	DALA approved Board's appeal 7/21/17. State Retirement Board appealed to CRAB 7/25/17. Board counsel filed motion to dismiss on State Ret. Bd. issue only 9/29/18). State Retirement Board filed special legislation H33 on 1/23/17 to direct group classification of prior service by retirement board member is retiring from. Newton filed "Board's Status Report" with DALA on 5/22/18. CRAB decision dated 5/20/19 issued. State Ret. Bd. filed "Motion for Reconsideration" on 6/20/19.
Edward Murphy	CR-17-724	Board filed motion to add PERAC as necessary party on 1/10/18. Motion approved 1/12/18. DALA issued "First Pre-Hearing Order" on 6/25/19.
Julie Kelly	CR-18-0581	Notice of appeal from DALA on 10/22/2018. DALA issued "First Pre-Hearing Order" on 8/12/19. Bd. counsel filed "Motion to Dismiss" on 10/25/19.

Next scheduled retirement board meeting: December 18, 2019 @ 3:00 p.m. in Room 211

NOTE: The Board reserves the right to consider items on the agenda out of order. The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Items identified for discussion in Executive Session may be conducted in open session, in addition to or in lieu of discussion in Executive Session. A motion to convene an Executive Session may be entertained during the meeting. Meetings are open to the public and will be held in the designated meeting room in Newton City Hall.

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