

NEWTON RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, September 27, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.
Location: Newton City Hall, Room #211

- PRESENT: Thomas Lopez, Anthony Logalbo, Kelly Byrne, Stephen Curley, Lisa Maloney, Esq., Scenia Saintcyr, Deirdre Walsh, Deputy City Solicitor/Retirement Board Counsel Marie Lawlor and Assistant City Solicitor/Retirement Board Counsel Jaclyn Zawada
- GUESTS: Carol Moore, City Clerk and William Byrne

- RECORD: Record in minutes City Clerk Carol Moore administered an oath of office to the Board's new 2nd Elected Member, Kelly Byrne. Carol Moore and William Byrne then left the meeting.

- VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to accept the accidental disability retirement application submitted by Attorney Paul Hynes on behalf of Police Officer George Clafin, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, Sections 7 and 94, and to authorize the Director, once the medical records have been collected, to petition PERAC to convene a regional medical panel to examine Mr. Clafin.

- RECORD: Record in minutes that Chairman Lopez confirmed that the Board members reviewed the recommendation provided to them by Board Counsel, Attorney Nicholas Poser, regarding Firefighter Lee Gilliam.

- VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to approve Firefighter Lee Gilliam's application for an ordinary disability retirement pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 6 and withdrawal of application for accidental disability retirement pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 7.

- VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to approve Joanne Mahoney's application for a member survivor allowance pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 12(2)(d). Joanne Mahoney is the widow of Firefighter Gary Gentile Jr. who died on August 23, 2022.

- VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to approve Joanne Mahoney's request, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, s.3, to purchase 8 years and 7 months of prior City of Newton service previously refunded to Firefighter Gary Gentile Jr. who died on August 23, 2022.

- VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to approve the dependent allowance payment, for the benefit of deceased Firefighter Gary Gentile Jr.'s two minor children, to Bettina Gentile, guardian of the two minor children-pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, s.12B.

- VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 4-0 (Board Member Byrne abstained), to approve the regular session minutes of the meeting held on August 23, 2022.

- RECORD: Record in minutes that Board Member Logalbo reviewed the handout he prepared "Newton Retirement Board-Funding Policy (Draft)" dated September 27, 2022 which was previously provided to the Board members for review. After discussion, it was decided that the matter relating to the Board considering to adopt a Statement of the Board's Funding Policy principles would be put on hold pending research into Newton's special funding legislation, investigation as to why PERAC does not issue a letter to the Board regarding required appropriation and to provide Maureen Lemieux, City of Newton Chief Financial Officer, and Kathleen Riley, Newton Retirement Board's Actuary, an opportunity to review the Funding Policy draft. Board Member Logalbo will also edit, as discussed, the third bullet point of the Board's drafted statement.

VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to approve the July 31, 2022, monthly financial reporting packet (trial balance, related journals, MMDT/Eastern bank statements/MMDT reconciliation, asset allocation, expense budget to actual comparison and cash flow forecast) as prepared by Director O'Brien.

RECORD: Record in minutes that on behalf of Director O'Brien, Deputy Director Saintcyr updated the Board that the City's Treasurer recently submitted Eastern Bank reconciliations retroactive to December 2021 and that Director O'Brien stated that she will review the reconciliations and provide further update to the Board at its October 2022 meeting.

VOTED: Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to approve the acceptance of the following new members:

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Date of Membership</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>
Fugazzotto	Carmen	1	07/25/22	School	Tech Support Specialist
Roach	Connor	1	08/22/22	FIS	Senior Financial Analyst
Pappas	Ryan	1	08/24/22	Public Works	Motor Equip Repair
Pizzano	Anthony	1	08/15/02	School	School Custodian
Keane	Elizabeth	1	08/15/22	School	Executive Assistant
Clayton	Elliot	1	08/22/22	School	Executive Assistant
Wang	Zicong	1	08/03/22	School	Athletic Trainer
Wong	Suzanne	1	08/29/22	School	Administrative Assistant
Battista	Alyssa	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Cai	Mengni	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Cataldo	Nicole	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Correa	Lorry	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Crosby	Megan	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
D'Arcangelo	Bridgette	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Davidge	Thomas	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Furtado	Kayla	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Gaffney	MaKayla	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Gwartzman	Daniel	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Herrera	Wilma	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Hopkins	Julia	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Kraus	Josh	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Linoxilakis	Alexia	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Linehan	Elizabeth	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Louis	Renee	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Mair	Trayana	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Marcus	Caroline	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Martinez	Isamar	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
McCauley	Kayla	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
McKeen	Tessa	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Mendes	Krystal	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Mooney	Claire	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Muth	Madeleine	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide

Nathan	Johanna	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
O'Connell	Shavonte	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Olore	Anna	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Perdew	Erin	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Price	Sara	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Qian	Xinting	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Reed	Taylor	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Scanlan	Ryan	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Scofield	Michael	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Shimkus	Michaela	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Silva	Mckenzie	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Simoneau	Marlena	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Staunton	Ciara	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Ullian	Danielle	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Zine	Penni	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Blacker	Rachel	1	09/01/22	School	Teacher Aide
Couto	Katiana	1	09/01/22	School	Teacher Aide
Kent	Mary	1	09/01/22	School	Teacher Aide
Levin	English	1	08/29/22	School	Benefits Specialist
Aiguier	Shae	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Armstrong	Keyon	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Burke	Emily	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Choutet	Eleonore	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Chdhea-Pierce	Emily	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Dowling	Nicole	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Egbiremolen	Osebhajajeme	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Geoffrion	Nicole	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Gruber	Jack	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Johnson	Brandon	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Kask	Caitlin	1	08/31/22	School	Board Certified Analyst
Moynihan	Eileen	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Randall	Nicole	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Sanchez	Rachel	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Sanderson	Julia	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Sexton	Valerie	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide

Vaphiades	Victoria	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Vazza	Gabrielle	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Weatherby	Nicole	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Wenstrom	Julia	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Zagzoug	Sarah	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Crocker	Christina	1	09/06/22	School	Teacher Aide
McFadyen	Joseph	1	09/06/22	School	Teacher Aide
Smith	Sarah	1	09/06/22	School	Teacher Aide
Hamann	Timothy	1	09/12/22	DPW	HMEO
Nickerson	Sara	1	09/12/22	School	Teacher Aide
Laston	Rosemary	1	09/06/22	School	Teacher Aide
Golemi	Marinela	1	09/08/22	School	Teacher Aide
Perez	Yodenny	1	09/12/22	School	School Custodian
McFarland	Meghan	1	09/13/22	Library	SR Library Asst
Pflager	Julia	1	09/14/22	Library	Asst Supv Youth Services
Rachamadugu	Prunitha	1	09/15/22	School	Teacher Aide
Green	Erika	1	09/19/22	School	Executive Assistant
Kelly	Mona	1	09/19/22	School	Teacher Aide
O'Connell	Kevin	1	09/19/22	Building	Building Custodian
Kaplan	Adrienne	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide
Melideo Takamatsu	Jean	1	08/31/22	School	Teacher Aide

VOTED:

Record in minutes the Board voted, by a vote of 5-0, to approve the following expense warrants:

Warrant # C8-22	9/28/2022	Federal tax deposit funding re: member account disbursements	\$ 4,269.39
Warrant # 21-22	9/28/2022	Administrative expense/member account disbursements	\$ 174,607.98
Warrant # 22-22	9/27/2022	9/30/2022 Contributory pension payroll	\$ 4,085,674.86
Warrant # 23-22	9/28/2022	3rd Quarter 2022 Staff salary expense	\$ 68,217.60

RECORD:

Record in minutes that Chairman Lopez, on behalf of Director O'Brien, provided the following updates regarding pending disability retirement applications:

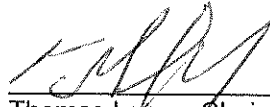
Applicant	Dept.	Current Status
William J. Bianco	Fire	9/6/22 Medical Panel Appts requested; 3 appts scheduled - 10/1/22, 10/13/22 & 10/25/22
Andrew Handler	Fire	9/13/22 recvd Member's App for Disability Ret and Treating Physician Stmtnt; 9/14/22 requested add'l info on Member's App and Treating Physician Stmtnt (pending); 9/14/22 requested Employer's Stmtnt

RECORD:

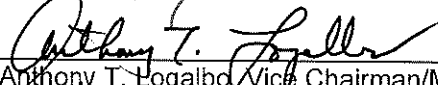
Record in minutes that Retirement Board Counsel Marie Lawlor updated the Board and reported that Paul Giunta did not file any objection to CRAB's (Contributory Retirement Appeals Board) order of dismissal relating to Docket # CR-20-0291.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was voted, by a vote of 5-0, to adjourn at 9:56 AM.

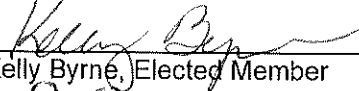
Signed:



Thomas Lopez, Chairman/Elected Member



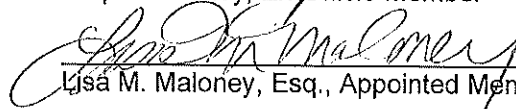
Anthony T. Logallo, Vice Chairman/Mayoral Appointee



Kelly Byrne, Elected Member



Stephen Curley, Ex-Officio Member



Lisa M. Maloney, Esq., Appointed Member