

PENSION BOARD
6/1/2023

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM (i.e. The Board) OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS, HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023, IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK PLAZA, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chairperson Mayor Bryant.

The following members were present:

Chairperson Mayor Arthur Bryant
General Employee Representative Matthew Crook
Public Safety Representative Brian Conigliaro
Citizen Representative Gary Zarb

Also present:

Pension Administrator, Shawn Murphy
Pension Attorney, Michael VanOverbeke
Foster & Foster Actuary, Jason Franken
Recording Secretary, Tina Hoenicke
City Administrator, Frank Schulte
Deputy Treasurer, Steven Schmidt

Motion by Zarb, supported by Crook to excuse Council Representative Victoria Granger from today's meeting.

Motion CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Bryant, Crook, Conigliaro, Zarb
NO: None
ABSENT: Granger

Motion by Crook, supported by Zarb that all item's on today's agenda be received and placed on file.

Motion CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Bryant, Crook, Conigliaro, Zarb
NO: None
ABSENT: Granger

Motion by Crook, supported by Zarb to accept and place on file the minutes of the pension board meeting dated 5/4/2023.

Motion CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Bryant, Crook, Conigliaro, Zarb
NO: None
ABSENT: Granger

Motion by Crook, supported by Zarb to accept and place on file the actuarial report-Update-Actuarial Experience Study-Amortization Period and Investment Rate of Return dated May 16, 2023.

Motion CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Bryant, Crook, Conigliaro, Zarb
NO: None
ABSENT: Granger

Motion by Crook, supported by Zarb –after the board reviewed the Actuarial Experience Study(s) from Foster and Foster Actuaries and Consultants dated April 24, 2023 and May 16, 2023—to adopt the following recommendations with the understanding that these assumptions are to be reviewed annually prior to implementation and inclusion in the following years’ valuation:

- Decrease the amortization period from 25 years to a 20 year closed amortization for a period of 5 years and after 5 years the plan will remain at a 15 year open amortization period
- Decrease the assumed rate of investment return from 7.5% to 7.4% with an intention of lowering it .1% a year for the next 5 years
- Update the payroll growth assumption from 3.5% to 3.00%,
- Adjust the age based retirement tables
- Adjust the age and service-based retirement rates
- Simplify the disability rate to 0.20% for general employees and 0.60% for public safety employees
- Add the cost of administrative expenses paid from the trust.

Motion CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Bryant, Crook, Conigliaro, Zarb
NO: None
ABSENT: Granger

Motion by Granger, supported by Conigliaro to authorize payment of the invoice from Foster & Foster Actuaries and Consultants in the amount of \$7,500.00.

Motion CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Bryant, Crook, Conigliaro, Zarb
NO: None
ABSENT: Granger

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New Business/Public Comment: None

Motion by Crook, supported by Zarb to adjourn at 6:41 pm.

Motion CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Bryant, Conigliaro, Crook, Zarb

NO: None

ABSENT: Granger

Minutes recorded by Tina Hoenicke

Approved by the Pension Board:

Shawn Murphy, Pension Administrator