# West Palm Beach Police Pension Fund 2100 North Florida Mango Road West Palm Beach, Florida 33409

## **Minutes**

April 19, 2019 8:30 AM

## CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Frost called to order the West Palm Beach Police Pension Fund Meeting on April 19, 2019 at 8:30 AM, in the main conference room of the Ernest George Building of the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association.

Present at the meeting: Jonathan Frost, Board Chairman; Troy Marchese, Board Secretary; Dana Santino, Board Trustee and Craig Kahle, Board Trustee.

Also present: Lou Penque, Lynn Whitfield, Greg Key, Eric Evrley, John McCann, AndCo Consulting; Bonni Jensen, Board Attorney & Blanca Greenwood, Attorney - Klausner, Kaufman, Jensen & Levinson; and Dave Williams, Plan Administrator.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Penque spoke about the drop/share earnings report within the actuarial valuation. Mr. Williams will seek clarification from Mr. Amrose.

Mr. Penque was contacted by Mr. John Turner's former spouse about a death benefit. Mr. Williams advised he spoke with her already and as she is an ex-spouse and not married at the time of Mr. Turner's death, there was no benefit entitlement. Mrs. Jensen concurred.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Frost asked if there were any changes required to the minutes of March 8, 2019. Mr. Marchese made the motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Mr. Kahle. All Trustees voted yes, and the motion was passed 4-0.

## APPROVAL OF DISTRIBUTIONS

New Warrants were presented for review and execution. Warrants approved at the last meeting were presented to the Board in spreadsheet format by Mr. Williams. A formal administrative report was also provided for consideration. After Mr. Williams detailed the report, Mr. Kahle made the motion to approve the report, which was seconded by Mr. Marchese. All Trustees voted yes, and the motion was passed 4-0.

## RETIREE RE-EMPLOYMENT WITH CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH

Mrs. Greenwood spoke of an offer of employment to Mr. Greg Key (police retiree) by the City of West Palm Beach. A legal review was undertaken as a result of the prohibition of re-employment provision(s) within the special act. Mrs. Greenwood reviewed the job description provided and did not see an issue that would require the Board to act. Mr. Frost indicated he personally spoke with the Mayor who advised that Mr. Key would have no supervisory duties at the police department. Further, Mr. Key is an advisor to the Mayor not the police department. Mr. Marchese made a motion that no action is required at this juncture seeing no conflict based on the job description provided. Ms. Santino seconded the motion. All Trustees voted yes, and the motion was passed 4-0.

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## **DISABILITY HEARING – ERIC EVRLEY**

The Board considered the request of Mr. Evrley, for a duty disability pension. Having reviewed the records, medical and otherwise, including the independent medical examination of Dr. Jeffrey Worth, and having a quorum, the Board of Trustees determined the following:

- A. Mr. Evrley is wholly prevented from performing the duties of a police officer to which he was assigned and is likely to remain so permanently and continuously.
- B. Given Mr. Evrley's medical condition, the City of West Palm Beach does not have a position for him as a certified police officer; therefore, he is unable to render useful and efficient service as a police officer to the City.
- C. The physical injuries are due to a motorcycle accident Mr. Evrley was involved in on November 9, 2017 during a motor unit training. Mr. Evrley's rear tire slid out, causing the left handlebar to strike his leg, severing his left quadriceps tendon. In the course of maintaining control of the motorcycle, his right quadriceps was partially torn, but eventually ruptured the following day. After undergoing surgery on both quadriceps in November 2017, Mr. Evrley contracted a staph infection on his right leg, which required a second surgery in February of 2018. He underwent physical therapy but was unable to fully improve.
- D. A Comprehensive Rehabilitation evaluation performed by Dr. Craig Lichtblau concluded that the Claimant does not have the functional capacity to work as a Police Officer. He has a 17% impairment of the whole person.

Given the facts set forth, Mr. Marchese made the motion to grant the disability claim of Mr. Evrley, which was seconded by Ms. Santino. All Trustees voted yes, and the motion was passed 4-0.

#### ANDCO – INVESTMENT CONSULTANT

Mr. McCann provided an asset allocation review to the Board.

Mr. McCann advised that New Amsterdam was exiting the investment arena and the assets had to be moved in short order. After review and discussion, the Board felt State Street Global Mutual Fund, Ticker SSMKX would be the prudent investment decision. Motion by Mr. Marchese to terminate New Amsterdam, liquidate the assets and direct Fiduciary Trust to purchase Street Global Mutual Fund. Motion seconded by Ms. Santino. All Trustees voted yes, and the motion was passed 4-0.

Mr. McCann present viable options for the Board to consider if they wanted to remain in active investments vs. passive investments for the New Amsterdam assets. The Board by consensus agreed to invite the following investment firms to present at the May 3, 2019 meeting. Champlain Investment Partners, Great Lakes Advisor and Clarkston Capital Partners will be invited by Mr. McCann.

Mr. McCann spoke about a notice received from OFI regarding an exit of Mr. Igor Tishin. Mr. McCann advised his exit would have no impact to our investments.

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#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

FORM 1: Trustees advised to complete their Form 1 prior to July 1, 2019 and File with the Supervisor of Elections.

ACTUARIAL AUDIT: Agreement complete, data to follow.

CONFERENCE: Mrs. Jensen announced the client conference and details.

ADA COMPLIANCE: Mrs. Jensen will review the requirements for our website and will report back.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Williams presented the administrative budget 2019/2020 for the Board to consider. It was noted that investment monitor was removed from the Budget. Mr. Williams advised that was at the direction of Mr. Cristini, Board Auditor. Mrs. Jensen reflected the item should remain under the administrative budget as Mr. McCann is a consultant and not an investment manager. The Board asked Mr. Williams to update accordingly for a future meeting.

Mr. Williams presented the drop/share administrative expense fee to the Board for fiscal year 2019/2020. Mr. Williams reflected the fee was reduced from 0.11% to 0.09% according to the April 10, 2019 report from GRS Retirement Consulting. Mr. Williams congratulated the Board in their efforts to reduce costs of the Plan.

Mr. Williams presented the Board with a letter of state acceptance for all actuarial reports through September 30, 2019. The state formally reviewed and approved the cited reports.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Mr. Penque asked if there was a way to streamline the disability process. Mrs. Jensen replied the process is in place to provide the members with full due process and at the same time protect the Plan. Anything less the Board would not be doing its fiduciary duty.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Being there was no other business; the meeting was adjourned by motion at 10:04 AM.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2019 at 8:30 AM

Troy Marchese, Board Secretary