

Minutes of the Chicopee Retirement Board monthly meeting held on September 26, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at the RiverMills Senior Center.

**Present: Members Ference, Mailhott, Boronski, Riley & O'Shea**  
**Also in attendance: Attorney Charles Casartello, Francesco Daniele**

The Chairman called the regular meeting to order at 8:30a.m.

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Ms. Riley and seconded by Ms. Boronski to enter into Executive Session at 8:30 a.m. as per M.G.L. Chapter 30A Section 21 for the purpose of discussing an Accidental Disability Application and an Involuntary Accidental Disability Application. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Ference "yes", Mr. Mailhott "yes", Ms. Boronski "yes", Ms. Riley "yes" and Mr. O'Shea "yes".

The Board will then reconvene in open session once this meeting is concluded.

Executive session concluded at 8:40 a.m.

**The following Accidental Disability Application has been prepared for the Board's approval according to statute:**

Hamm, Frank – Filed an Accidental Disability Application due to injuries that he sustained while working on a fire vehicle on April 24, 2018. After a discussion a motion was made by Mr. Mailhott and seconded by Mr. Ference to submit the application and all of the necessary paperwork to PERAC to move forward with a medical panel review. ALL IN FAVOR.

**The following Involuntary Accidental Disability Application has been prepared for the Board's approval according to statute:**

Hammon, Scott – Fire Chief Stamborski has filed an Involuntary Accidental Disability Application due to injuries that Firefighter Hammon sustained while lifting a patient on July 15, 2017. After a discussion a motion was made by Mr. Ference and seconded by Ms. Boronski to submit the application and all of the necessary paperwork to PERAC to move forward with a medical panel review. ALL IN FAVOR.

A motion was made by Ms. Boronski and seconded by Ms. Riley to accept and approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated August 22, 2019. The minutes will be placed on file. ALL IN FAVOR.

A motion was made by Ms. Riley and seconded by Ms. Boronski to approve the monthly expense warrant #9262019, transfer warrant #9272019 along with payroll warrant #08302019 and #09302019. ALL IN FAVOR.

**The following people applied for membership in the system according to statute:**

1. Stacy M. Byrnes – School – Group #1
2. Paul A. McDonough – MIS – Group #1
3. Mikael K. Murdock – School – Group #1
4. Tara-Lynn Raftery – School – Group #1
5. Ashleigh J. Clark – School – Group #1
6. Elena Soboleva – School – Group #1
7. Carrie J. Minie – School – Group #1
8. Sarah E. Potter – School – Group #1
9. Charlene M. Lustenberger – School – Group #1
10. Jennifer L. Therrien – School – Group #1
11. Matthew J. Colburn – School – Group #1
12. Nitza I. Ortiz – School – Group #1
13. Cheryl A. Avezzie – School – Group #1
14. Olga Kuznetsov – School – Group #1
15. Melissa P. Strange – School – Group #1
16. Kari S. Santos – Retirement – Group #1
17. Patrick M. Nazim – School – Group #1
18. Rebecca Weibel – School – Group #1
19. Michael S. LaPointe – CEL – Group #4
20. Caren L. Reed – School – Group #1
21. Sherry Jones – School – Group #1
22. Beth Gadouas – School – Group #1
23. Brandy Gallagher – School – Group #1

**A motion was made by Mr. Ference and seconded by Ms. Boronski to approve the above mentioned individuals for membership into the System. ALL IN FAVOR**

**The following people applied for Superannuation Retirement according to statute:**

Starzyk, Alan M. – Water Department – Deputy Superintendent – wishes to retire August 6, 2019 with 37 years and 3 months of creditable service.

Anderson, Carl – Fire Department – Firefighter – wishes to retire September 6, 2019 with 33 years and 5 months of creditable service.

**Motion was made by Mr. Mailhoff and seconded by Mr. Ference to approve the retirement applications. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**The following retirement calculations have been prepared for the Board's approval according to statute:**

Pronovost, Barbara – Library – retired August 28, 2019 – yearly pension \$21,512.88

Starzyk, Alan – Water Department – retired August 6, 2019 – yearly pension \$47,713.32

**Motion was made by Ms. Riley and seconded by Ms. Boronski to approve the retirement calculations. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**The following retirement re-calculations have been prepared for the Board's approval according to statute:**

Koske, Linda – Library, Acting Asst. Director, retired January 11, 2019, yearly amount \$36,671.76

Lambert, Michelle – School Department – Vision Hearing Tech, retired December 21, 2018, yearly amount \$23,267.88

Mitchell, Rita – School Department – Paraprofessional retired June 29, 2018, yearly amount \$11,888.52

**Motion was made by Ms. Riley and seconded by Mr. Ference to approve the retirement calculations. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**The following Transfer was prepared for the Board's approval according to statute:**

Chartier, Justin - School Department – Paraprofessional – transferred to MTRS \$6,495.71

Lombardi, Andrea - School Department – Speech Pathologist Assistant – transferred to MTRS \$3,505.28

Riley, Stacy – School Department – Paraprofessional – transferred to MTRS \$1,111.55

**Motion was made by Ms. Boronski and seconded by Mr. Mailhott to approve the above mentioned transfer. ALL IN FAVOR.**

**MACRS 2019 Fall Conference** – This year's conference will be held from Sunday, September 30, 2019 through Wednesday, October 2, 2019 – it will be held at the Sheraton Hotel in Springfield, Registration is \$400 per attendee and payment is due prior to the conference. A copy of the preliminary agenda is attached for the Board to review. **After a discussion a motion was made by Ms. Riley and seconded by Ms. Boronski to allow the five (5) board members and two (2) staff members to attend this conference. ALL IN FAVOR**

**Update on the Health Fair** - the Executive Director and Assistant Director attended the City's Health Fair that was held on Wednesday, September 25, 2019. There was a good turnout, we had a good number of people that stopped at our table. They did address corrections, requested estimates, and asked a lot of different questions from both the active and the retired members.

**Staff Update** – Kari Santos started working as the new Administrative Assistant on September 6, 2019, she is in the process of learning the customer service part of the job along with entering all of the new member information into the computer. She is also learning how to balance the members deductions.

**PRIM** - Francesco Daniele was in attendance at the meeting and presented the members with a booklet updating them on the funds as of June 30, 2019. He also updated them on the upcoming challenges. The Board thanked him for attending the meeting and for the update.

**Schedule for Board Meetings for 2019** – all Thursdays except when noted -\*\*September 26<sup>th</sup>, October 24<sup>th</sup>, \*\*November 21<sup>st</sup>, \*\* December 19, 2019, January 23, 2020, February 27, 2020, March 26, 2020, April 23, 2020, May 28, 2020, June 25, 2020, July 23, 2020, August 27, 2020, September 24, 2020, October 22, 2020, November 19, 2020 and December 17, 2020.

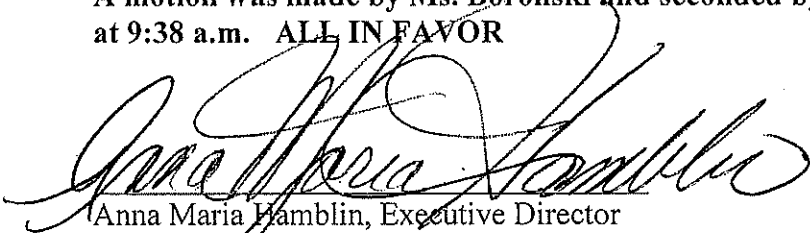
\*\* denotes when an investment manager will be in attendance at a meeting.

**REPORTS AND NOTICES:**

- o Treasurer’s Office – cash receipts – August
- o Cash Books for May and June
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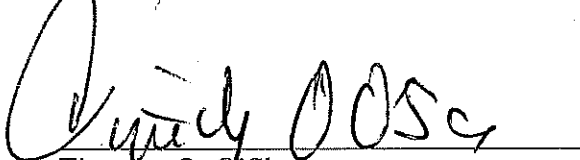
The reports were reviewed and placed on file.

**A motion was made by Ms. Boronski and seconded by Mr. Mailhott to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 a.m. ALL IN FAVOR**

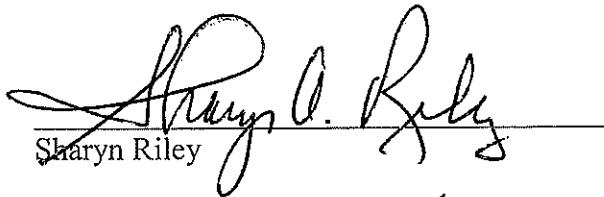


Anna Maria Hamblin, Executive Director

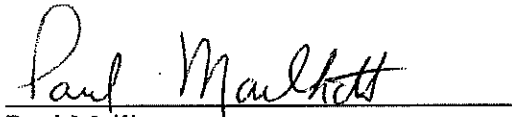
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Timothy O. O'Shea



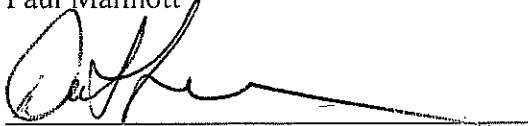
Sharyn Riley



Paul Mailhott



Debra Boronski



David Ference