

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
DES PLAINES POLICE PENSION FUND
August 10, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Des Plaines Police Pension Board was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 9:00 AM, pursuant to proper notice, to conduct regular business of the Pension Board. The meeting was held at City Hall, Room 101, 1420 Miner Street, Des Plaines, Illinois.

CALL TO ORDER: President Chiaro called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Also present were Investment Consultant Thomas McShane, Cook Castle Associate Greg Kiesewetter and Board Attorney Laura J. Goodloe.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

The Pension Board reviewed the minutes of its June 8, 2021 regular meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Neil and seconded by Trustee Mierzwa to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS: Warrant list #86 dated August 10, 2021 totaling \$5,854.30 and warrant list #85 dated June 8, 2021 totaling \$16,165.88 were disseminated and reviewed by the Board. Upon review Trustee Ruzicka made a motion to approve the two warrant lists and continue issuing payment on all invoices as they become due. Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion and the motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.

NAY: None.

ABSENT: None.

BOARD'S ATTORNEY REPORT:

Legal Update/Review of new court decisions. Board Counsel provided an update as to new and pending legislation, new caselaw and the status of the consolidation litigation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of Annual Report. The Pension Board is in receipt of the Illinois Department of Insurance's (IDOI) annual actuarial valuation report as of January 1, 2021. The IDOI's recommended tax levy is \$7,335,771. The Board will take this under advisement when submitting its formal tax levy request.

NEW BUSINESS:

Death of Retired Police Officer Ronald Roepke. Retired Police Officer Ronald R. Roepke Sr. passed away on June 15, 2021. A copy of his death certificate is on file with the Fund. He leaves behind no survivors for pension purposes. Therefore his benefit has been paid out to the fullest extent possible under the law and his benefit entitlement shall cease effective his date of death. No overpayment to his estate has occurred. No further action is needed at this time.

Retirement of Officer Ryan O'Connell. Patrol Officer and Evidence Technician Ryan T. O'Connell filed an application for retirement pension benefits. He entered service on January 7, 1998 and is a Tier I member. He retired on June 15, 2021 with a June 16, 2021 effective date of retirement. He earned twenty three (23) years of creditable service for pension purposes. His annualized salary as of his retirement date equaled \$114,030.00. He is entitled to receive a monthly retirement pension in the amount of \$5,463.94. His pension shall be subject to applicable post retirement increases. Upon review and discussion Trustee Ruzicka made a motion to approve Ryan O'Connell's retirement pension application and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

Retirement of Sergeant Robert Dvorak. Sergeant Robert A. Dvorak filed an application for retirement pension benefits. He entered service on March 27, 1996 and is a Tier I member. He retired on June 29, 2021 with a June 30, 2021 effective date of retirement. He earned twenty five (25) years of creditable service for pension purposes. His annualized salary as of his retirement date equaled \$128,199.01. He is entitled to receive a monthly retirement pension in the amount of \$6,677.03. His pension shall be subject to applicable post retirement increases. Upon review and discussion Trustee Ruzicka made a motion to approve Robert Dvorak's retirement pension application and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

Approval of Lauterbach & Amen Balance Sheets for May & June 2021. The Pension Board reviewed Lauterbach & Amen balance sheets for May and June 2021. Trustee Neil made a motion to approve the May and June 2021 balance sheets and Trustee Mierzwa seconded that motion. The motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

Annual IDOI Report Review. The IDOI annual statement has been timely completed and filed. No further action is needed.

Application from Officer Bartosz Duda. Officer Bartosz Duda entered service on June 21, 2021 and is a Tier II participant. Upon review Trustee Neil made a motion to approve Duda's membership application into Des Plaines Police Pension Fund and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Application from Officer Peter Grzyb. Officer Peter Grzyb entered service on June 21, 2021 and is a Tier II participant. Upon review Trustee Neil made a motion to approve Grzyb's membership application into Des Plaines Police Pension Fund and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Application from Officer Enrique Morales. Officer Enrique Morales entered service on June 21, 2021 and is a Tier II participant. Upon review Trustee Neil made a motion to approve Morales' membership application into Des Plaines Police Pension Fund and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Application from Officer Anthony Sciacotta. Officer Anthony Sciacotta entered service on June 21, 2021 and is a Tier II participant. Upon review Trustee Neil made a motion to approve Sciacotta's membership application into Des Plaines Police Pension Fund and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Application from Officer Andrew Pena. Officer Andrew Pena entered service on June 21, 2021 and is a Tier II participant. Upon review Trustee Neil made a motion to approve Pena's membership application into Des Plaines Police Pension Fund and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Application from Officer Donald Weinzierl. Officer Donald Weinzierl entered service on June 21, 2021 and is a Tier II participant. Upon review Trustee Neil made a motion to approve Weinzierl's membership application into Des Plaines Police Pension Fund and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Application from Officer Idaly Garcia. Officer Idaly Garcia entered service on August 2, 2021 and is a Tier II participant. Upon review Trustee Neil made a motion to approve Garcia's membership application into Des Plaines Police Pension Fund and Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Appointment of IPOPIF Authorized Representatives. Upon discussion the Board reached the consensus that Trustee Ruzicka and Trustee Chiaro will be the two authorized IPOPIF representatives. The form will be completed and submitted to IPOPIF. Trustee Neil made a motion to adopt the IPOPIF resolution as presented and appoint Trustee Ruzicka and Trustee Mierzwa as the IPOPIF representatives. The motion carried by roll call vote.

- AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
- NAY: None.
- ABSENT: None.

Presentation on Fiduciary Liability Insurance Renewal/Greg G. Kiesewetter. Greg Kiesewetter from Cook Castle presented a liability insurance renewal quote. The quote was for a 2 million dollar policy limit with a \$12,175.00 premium. Upon discussion Trustee Mierzwa made a motion to renew the Fund's 2 million dollar fiduciary liability insurance policy at the premium presented and Trustee Ruzicka seconded the motion. The motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Pension Board discussed with Consultant McShane the Fund's current positions, asset allocations, investment activity and cash flow.

Review of Fund's Portfolio / Asset Allocation.

Consultant McShane began his presentation with a summary review of recent actions taken as of the Board's last meeting.

The Board and Consultant McShane reviewed and discussed content from the GIC weekly, an S&P 500 chart and a COVID tracker chart.

Consultant McShane then reviewed the Fund's current cash flow and indicated the Fund has sufficient cash to pay out benefits through December 2021. No action was needed concerning cash flow needs.

He went on to review the Fund's current asset allocations. As of June 30, 2021 the Fund was on target with respect to cash, under allocated in fixed income and over allocated in equities (by design and due to appreciation). Consultant McShane provided a recap as to allocations by asset management class. No recommendations were made with respect to asset reallocations.

As of June 30, 2021 the Fund held approximately 91.1 million dollars in invested assets. With respect to returns, year to date the Fund was up 8.85 versus the 7.49 benchmark. Over the past one year period the Fund was up 26.33 versus the 25.01 benchmark. Since inception the Fund is up 7.35 relative to the 6.91 benchmark.

Consultant McShane reviewed the Fund's returns by asset class and manager performance.

The Fund holds an approximate 54 million dollar unrealized gain (net of fees) and the Fund's overall investment platform has received greater return and taken less risk than the benchmark.

At the conclusion of Consultant McShane's report Trustee Ruzicka made a motion to approve the report and Trustee Neil seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Cash Flow Analysis. No action was necessary.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

CONTINUING EDUCATION:

The Pension Board reviewed its continuing education training status, requirements and training options for 2021.

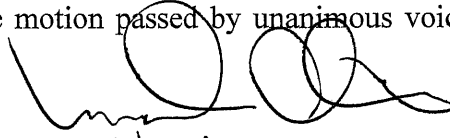
EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Ruzicka to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 AM, and the motion was seconded by Trustee Mierzwa. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 10:28 AM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Date Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'W. Mierzwa', written over a horizontal line.

09/28/2021

The next regular meeting of the Des Plaines Police Pension Board is scheduled for October 12, 2021 at 9:00 AM.

Minutes Prepared by Board Attorney Laura J. Goodloe, Esq.