

**Worcester Retirement Monthly Board Meeting
January 11th 2024**

The Worcester Retirement Board met in Open Public Session on Thursday, January 11th, 2024 in the **Esther Howland Chambers**, 3rd Floor, City Hall, Worcester, Ma. 01608 for their regular monthly meeting at 8:30 a.m.

All Board members were in attendance.

M.Sacco was present as Board counsel.

The Board immediately convened in executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a) (1) and 21(a) (3) to conduct disability hearings and discuss litigation strategy regarding pending cases at 8:30 am and reconvened into open session at 10:45 am.

M. Sacco left the meeting at 10:45 am.

The Next Meeting Dates were confirmed for: February 8th 2024 – Regular Meeting – 8:30AM
February 15th 2024 – Financial Manager Meeting – 8:30AM - Remote

The Board accepted the December Regular Minutes

ALL BENEFITS APPROVED BY THE WORCESTER RETIREMENT BOARD ARE SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY P.E.R.A.C.

Approved Collectively Superannuation M.G.L. c. 32 § 5

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Option</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Bishop, John	Police	PO	38	C	01/31/2024
Blanchard, Bruce	DPW&P	Water Supply Mgr	51	B	01/05/2024
Campanile, Vincent	WPS	Custodian	34	A	01/25/2024
Carpino, Patricia	Police	PO	32	B	01/23/2024
Delgado, Charlene	WPS	Aid	34	B	01/26/2024
Hennig, Joy	WPL	Librarian	29	A	01/19/2024
Gibree, Lee	WPS	Head Clerk	30	B	01/24/2024
Murphy-Oday, Marybeth	Code	Staff Asst III	18	B	01/10/2024
Oroszko, Mary	Mayors	Asst Secretary	38	A	01/05/2024
Rivera, Sarai	CC	Councilor	12	B	01/04/2024
Shea, Michael	WHA	Carpenter	12	A	01/01/2024

The Board reviewed and discussed the monthly financials. Filed.

The Board reviewed and adjusted and approved the 2024 Budget.

The Board discussed office organization and renovation. L. Poske received one quote from WB Mason. However, she will obtain quotes from other authorized vendors and report back at next Board meeting.

The Board reviewed the Medical Review RFP Results and will discuss again at next meeting.

Regarding cybersecurity, E. Early asked the status getting in contact with Ryan Barrett whom presented at the PRIM conference. L. Poske will reach out to PRIM for further contact information. Current attempts have not been responsive.

The Following PERAC Memos were Reviewed

PERAC 2023 Memos:

#28 Disability Data

#29 Tobacco Company List

#30 Q1 2024 Training

PERAC 2024 Memos:

#1 Medical Testing Fee

#1 2024 Interest Rate

Approved Collectively Warrants:

<u>No.</u>	<u>PaidDate</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
23-55	12/22/23	Office Expenses	27,683.45
23-56	12/29/23	3(8)C	147.29
23-57	12/29/23	Member Refunds	127,301.97
	12/08/23	Office Employee P/R	6,566.40
	12/15/23	Office Employee P/R	6,566.40
	12/22/23	Office Employee P/R	6,566.40
	12/29/23	Office Employee P/R	6,566.40
	12/29/23	Board Stipend	\$1,875.00
	12/29/23	December Retiree Benefits	\$8,435,401.77

The Board adjourned at 11:00.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa Poske, Executive Secretary

Elizabeth Early, Chair/ Elected Member

Matthew Wally, Appointed Member

Robert Stearns, Ex-Officio Member

John Mahan, Elected Member

Tamara Cullen, Fifth Member

The following was handled in Executive Session:

Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 7 & 16 Tabled

Gray, Timothy	FIRE	FF	15
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Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 7 Accepted

Angers, Donald	DPW&P	MEO III	6
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Vorres, Alexandra	WPS	IA	26
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EIP Response – COW

ADR Cases update