

**Worcester Retirement Monthly Board Meeting
December 14th 2023**

The Worcester Retirement Board met in Open Public Session on Thursday, December 14th, 2023 in the **Levi Lincoln Chambers**, 3rd Floor, City Hall, Worcester, Ma. 01608 at 9:17 am for their regular monthly board meeting.

Board members E.Early, M. Wally, R.Stearns, and J. Mahan were in attendance.

M.Sacco was present as Board counsel.

The Board 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 9:22 a.m and reconvened into open session at 11:33 a.m.

The Next Meeting Dates were confirmed for: January 11th, 2024 – Regular Meeting – 8:30 a.m.

The Board accepted the November Regular and Financial 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>
Bianculli-Legor, Janis	POLICE	PO	40	C	12/29/2023
Binnall, Melanie	WPS	Café Mgr	17	A	11/30/2023
Bisceglia, Donna	WHA	Social Serv Coor	10	A	11/13/2023
Bishop, John	POLICE	PO	38	C	12/31/2023
DeMarco, John	WHA	Dev. Officer	17	B	12/09/2023
Hennessey, John	WPS	Dir of Transp	35	C	12/31/2023
Joubert, Charleen	WPS	Word Proc.	18	C	12/31/2023
Kurzanski, Barbara	HS	Teacher	21	B	12/31/2023
Macaruso, Robert	DPW&P	Pub Work Maint	36	B	12/31/2023
McQueen, Sharon*	POLICE	PO	36	C	11/27/2023
Oroszko, Mary	Mayor	Asst Sec.	38	A	12/31/2023
O'Rourke, Robert	POLICE	SGT	33	C	12/02/2023
Perez, Denise	COMM	Disp.	24	C	11/17/2023
Powers, John	FIRE	Asst. Fire Chief	32	C	12/31/2023
Snow, Jeffrey	WPS	Plumber	31	B	12/01/2023

The Board reviewed and discussed the monthly financials, filed.

The Board reviewed the Medical Review RFP Results. They requested L.Poske acquire additional cost examples from two of the respondents for the next meeting.

The Board reviewed and approved the proposed 2024 Board Meeting Schedule. L.Poske will reserve meeting rooms with the CM office.

The Board was provided the PERAC 2023 #27: Current Members in Service who made Election at age 70 to stop contributions to the Retirement System. L.Poske only found one eligible member and will reach out to them regarding their options.

The following Retiree Evaluations were reviewed: Carroll, B | Spinelli, E | Powers, J | - No Board Action

Approved Collectively Warrants:

<u>No.</u>	<u>PaidDate</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
23-51	11/30/23	Member Transfers	148,938.51
23-52	11/15/23	Office Expenses	60,019.87
23-53	12/01/23	Member Refunds	145,445.08
23-54	12/8/23	Member Transfers	174,868.55
	11/03/23	Office Employee P/R	6,524.00
	11/10/23	Office Employee P/R	6,524.00
	11/17/23	Office Employee P/R	7,372.02
	11/22/23	Office Employee P/R	6,566.40
	12/01/23	Office Employee P/R	6,566.40
	11/30/23	Board Stipend	\$1,875.00
	11/30/23	November Retiree Benefits	\$8,379,789.03

The Board adjourned at 11:47a.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

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Tamara Cullen, Fifth Member

The following was handled in Executive Session:

Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 7 & 94B Approved

Whalen, Mark FIRE FF 32 *Retired 3/11/2021*

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

Cross, Jason FIRE FF 28

Accidental /Ordinary Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 6 & 7 Tabeled Retired 05/04/2022

Guittar, James POLICE PO 23

Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 § 7 Accepted

Cline, Kegan POLICE PO 10

EIP Response - COW

Appeal Review

Brace, Charles POLICE PO

Ranucci, Francis DPW Asst Cvl Eng

Legal Contract Amendment