



Pension Board

Regular Meeting

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917B E. Fifth Ave.
Knoxville, TN 37917
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THURSDAY, November 9, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Pension Board Conference Room

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rogero called to order the November 9, 2017 meeting of the City of Knoxville Pension Board at 9:00 a.m. in the Pension Board Conference Room.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	
Mayor Rogero	Mayor	Present	
Linda Gay Blanc	Mayoral Appointment	Present	
Mark Fortner	Police Representative	Present	
Jim York	Finance Director	Present	
Sam Bills	Mayoral Appointment	Present	
Stephen King	General Government Representative	Present	
Michael Paseur	General Government Representative	Present	
Finbarr Saunders	City Council Representative	Present	
John Tillett	Fire Representative	Present	
Kathy Aslinger	Legal Counsel	Present	
Kristi Paczkowski	Executive Director	Present	

Others Present: Mr. Charles Swanson – City of Knoxville Law Director; Mr. Nicholas Della Volpe – Council Member; Mr. Roger Byrd – Fire Department Uniformed Retired member; Ms. Savannah Maupin – City Recorder's Office; Mr. Phineas Troy & Mr. Matthew Jelinek – Summit Strategies.

3. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 14, 2017.

Mr. Saunders made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2017 meeting. Mr. York seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

4. APPROVAL OF REVISED AGENDA – Exhibit 1

Mr. Bills made a motion to accept the Revised Agenda. Mr. Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Post Retirement Benefit Adjustment Resolution - Exhibit 2

Ms. Paczkowski reviewed with the Board the cost of living adjustments effective January 1, 2018.

Motion: Mr. Paseur made a motion to approve the Post Retirement Benefit Adjustment Resolution as presented by the Executive Director. Mr. Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

Benefits overpayment

Ms. Paczkowski informed the Board regarding benefit overpayments to the beneficiary of an Education employee and advised them of actions taken to correct the monthly benefit and recapture the overpayment.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Seat A Representative Elections (Police/General Govt)

Ms. Paczkowski updated the Board on the on-going elections in the General Government and Police Departments – Seat A representatives to the Board.

7. CONTRACTS: None

8. ENROLLMENTS

The following General Government employees have filed applications to become members of the Plan H-GG pension system:

Megan Gerlach
Allyson Knisely
Rickey McKinney
Evan Patterson
Evan Seigmund
Hal Watson

Motion: Mr. Paseur made a motion to approve these applications for enrollment in Plan H-GG of the pension system. Mr. Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

9. WITHDRAWALS

The following employees have filed applications to withdraw employee pension contributions plus 0.72% interest and the supplemental retirement account as applicable to each participant's respective plan.

Jeremy Alexander, General Govt – Plan G1, vested
 Christi W Branscom, General Govt – Plan G1, vested (defined contribution only)
 Shannon James, General Govt – Plan H, non-vested
 Caleb Melton, General Govt – Plan H, non-vested
 Rick Morgan, General Govt – Plan H, non-vested
 Denise D Richardson, General Govt – Plan H, non-vested

Motion: Mr. Paseur made a motion to approve these applications for withdrawal of employee contributions. Mr. Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

10. APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE DELAYED RETIREMENT OPTION PROGRAM (DROP): PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 1371.8 – PLAN G.

The following employees have chosen a Delayed Retirement Option and will receive a one-time payment of the accumulated monthly benefits on termination of employment with the City of Knoxville.

James W Johnson, General Government – Plan G1

Option A-8
 75% with reinstatement

Date of birth, April 25, 1947: 70 years of age
 Total credited service: 12 years 9 months 29 days
 *\$344.94 pension effective November 1, 2017
 DROP complete October 31, 2019.

*Defined Benefit Only – does not include the supplemental retirement account applicable in Plan G Option 1 which member elected to receive in a one-time lump sum payment.

Motion: Mr. Paseur made a motion to approve this application for Drop retirement payable under Option A-8. Mr. York seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

Patricia V Byrge, General Government – Plan G2

Option A-7
 50% with reinstatement

Date of birth, September 10, 1958: 59 years of age
 Total credited service: 37 years 5 months 11 days
 \$2,858.14 pension effective November 1, 2017
 DROP complete October 31, 2019.

Motion: Mr. Paseur made a motion to approve this application for Drop retirement payable under Option A-7. Mr. York seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

11. APPROVAL OF INVOICES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

	Inv. Amount	FYTD
Bryan, Pendleton, Swats & McAllister – Actuary (Sept)	5,682	26,855
Kennerly, Montgomery & Finley – Attorney (General - October)	3,500	16,130
Northern Trust – Custodial/Benefit (3rd Qtr – 2017)	41,429	41,429
Wm Blair – Money Manager (3rd Qtr 2017)	35,438	35,438
Eagle Capital – Money Manager (3 rd Qtr 2017)	92,504	92,504
IRM – Money Manager (3 rd Qtr 2017) – TIPS Fund)	1,600	1,600
IRM – Money Manager (3rd Qtr. 2017 – Core Fund)	24,115	24,115
Schroders (Money Manager – 3rd Qtr – 2017)	40,447	40,447
Tortoise Capital – Money Manager (3rd Qtr 2017)	53,120	53,120
		331,638

Ms. Paczkowski, Executive Director, has reviewed the bills and certifies that they are consistent with services provided and are within the budgeted figures of the system's financial plan.

Motion: Mr. Saunders made a motion to pay the invoices as presented. Mr. York seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

12. INVESTMENT MATTERS:

Phineas Troy & Matthew Jelinek – Summit Strategies - 3Q 2017 Performance Report

Mr. Troy and Mr. Jelinek made a presentation of the 3rd Quarter 2017 Performance Report. Copies of the report are on file in the Pension Office.

Ms. Blanc arrived at 9:38 a.m.

**13. APPLICATION FOR INJURY NOT IN LINE OF DUTY: PLAN G2
CHARTER SECTION 1360.20**

Karen N Stinnett, General Govt	Option to be determined
Date of birth, August 3, 1967: 50 years of age	
Total credited service: 19 years 11 months 12 days	
<u>\$2,556.13</u> pension effective December 1, 2017	

Motion: Ms. Blanc made a motion to enter into an Executive Session. Mr. Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed 9-0.

Motion: Mr. York made a motion to exit the Executive Session. Mr. Tillett seconded the motion. The motion passed 9-0.

The Board discussed Ms. Stinnett's application for disability benefits, the burden of proof in disability claims, the Charter definition of "disability" for General Government employees, the available medical records, the independent medical review report requested by the Board, and Ms. Paczkowski's memo summarizing the medical proof and available facts, following which the following motion was made:

Motion: Mr. York made a motion to deny this application for Injury Not In Line of Duty based on the Board's determination that Ms. Stinnett failed to meet her burden of proof; specifically,

the Board determined that Ms. Stinnett failed to prove that the physical or mental condition causing her impairment was not self-inflicted. Mr. Saunders seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-1. Mr. Paseur voted against.

- 14. OTHER: None**
- 15. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None**
- 16. ATTORNEY COMMENTS:**
- 17. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Rogero at 11:10 a.m.

Chair

Date