

**THE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE WHEELING
POLICE PENSION FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NOVEMBER 27, 2018**

A special meeting of the Wheeling Police Pension Fund Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Wheeling Village Hall Scanlon Conference Room located at 2 Community Blvd, Wheeling, IL pursuant to notice.

CALL TO ORDER: Trustee Musolf called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Trustees Troy Musolf, Joe Kopecky, Bill Benson, Michael Mondschain and Tony Cinquegrani (*arrived at 9:20 a.m.*)

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Board Attorney Jeff Goodloe, Puchalski Goodloe Marzullo, LLP (PGM); Lora Murphy, Lauterbach & Amen, LLP (L&A); Deborah Wilson, member of the public

PUBLIC COMMENT: Deborah Wilson addressed the Board regarding pensioners Affidavits of Continued Eligibility.

Village Finance Director/Trustee Mondschain clarified the purpose of the pension related presentation he made at the Village Board's budget workshop on November 3, 2018. He noted that his intention was to share with the Village Board the opinion of an expert on pension funding who demonstrated, through the use of a model, that municipalities can pay pension benefits for decades even if the pension fund is funded at a level well below 100%. He explained that the expert pointed out that unlike a private company, municipalities are not in danger of going out of business someday and as a result, there will always be future employer and employee contributions to the fund that will help ensure pension payments are made. He further clarified that neither he nor the Village Manager intended to suggest that the Village should underfund its pension funds and that in fact, the Village has a long history of contributing more than the actuarially required contribution each year. Finally, he noted that the recommendation that he and the Village Manager made that the Board lower the investment return assumption used by the actuary (from 7.50% to 7.25%) further demonstrated that the Village Board and management are committed to contributing as much money to the pension funds as possible and noted that as a result of that decision, the employer contribution to the funds will increase by \$390,000 (as compared to the 7.50% assumption) next year.

REVIEW/APPROVE DECISION & ORDER AND CERTIFICATE OF PAYMENT: *John Connolly, Matthew Jahnke, and Diane Poppenga:* The Board reviewed the written Decision & Order and Certificate of Payment for John Connolly and Matthew Jahnke's retirement benefits and Diane Poppenga's surviving spouse benefits prepared by PGM. A motion was made by Trustee Kopecky and seconded by Trustee Benson to approve the written Decision & Order and Certificate of Payment for John Connolly as prepared. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Musolf, Kopecky, Benson, and Mondschain

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Cinquegrani

A motion was made by Trustee Kopecky and seconded by Trustee Benson to approve the written Decision & Order and Certificate of Payment for Matthew Jahnke as prepared. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Musolf, Kopecky, Benson, and Mondschain

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Cinquegrani

A motion was made by Trustee Benson and seconded by Trustee Mondschain to approve the written Decision & Order and Certificate of Payment for Diane Poppenga as prepared. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Musolf, Kopecky, Benson, and Mondschain
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Trustee Cinquegrani

Trustee Cinquegrani joined the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – INVESTMENT MANAGER REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL:

The Board discussed hiring a new Investment Manager and noted that Sawyer Falduto Asset Management has the lowest fees and is willing to extend the reduction in fees to the Wheeling Firefighters' Pension Fund, who is a current client. A motion was made by Trustee Mondschain and seconded by Trustee Cinquegrani to terminate the Investment Manager contract with MB Financial. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Musolf, Kopecky, Benson, Cinquegrani, and Mondschain
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

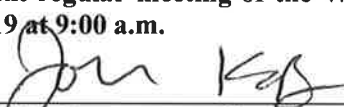
A motion was made by Trustee Mondschain and seconded by Trustee Cinquegrani to award the Investment Manager contract to Sawyer Falduto Asset Management, LLC, subject to Board Attorney Jeff Goodloe's review of the Sawyer Falduto Asset Management, LLC and custodian Charles Schwab contracts, including the MoneyLink paperwork. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Musolf, Kopecky, Benson, Cinquegrani, and Mondschain
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

CLOSED SESSION, IF NEEDED: There was no need for closed session.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Benson and seconded by Trustee Cinquegrani to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 a.m. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The next regular meeting of the Wheeling Police Pension Fund will be held on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.



Pension Fund President or Board Secretary

Minutes approved by the Board of Trustees on 1/15/2019.

Minutes prepared by Lora Murphy, Pension Services Administrator, Lauterbach & Amen, LLP