

**Pension Board  
Minutes  
June 3, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Jim Lavin called the Pension Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, Trumbull, Connecticut.

Members present were as follows:

**PRESENT**

James Lavin  
John Ponzio  
Donna Pellitteri  
Maria Pires  
Michael Knight  
James Daly

Also present: Chris Kachmar, FIA; Madelyn Meagher

**Investment Update 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter– Chris Kachmar**

Mr. Kachmar presented the investment Update for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:

Economic and Market Review:

- There is still a lot of attention on the Fed and reduction of stimulus; the economy in the US is on a relatively even keel; now have challenge of getting stimulus out of the system.
- Domestic Equity gained 1.8% for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter; lower quality stocks did the best.
- International Equity Review – returns were reasonably positive.
- Fixed Income Review – 10 year Treasury ended 30 b.p. lower at 2.73%.

Asset Allocations:

- In terms of performance, we are where we should be, given return objectives. Program is working as it should.

Manager Performance:

- PIMCO is on watch and continues to be on watch. Believe that performance will improve. No issues with them.
- BlackRock is new; no concerns right now.
- Van Guard is getting the return.
- Diamond Hill; no concerns right now.
- Mainstay – not a great quarter; thinks that manager is very capable and will comeback; challenging issues with healthcare sector (only 7% of total portfolio); need to be patient.
- Boston Trust – short term numbers challenged; absolute numbers are fine; outlook seems favorable; greater protection; need to be patient; not going to keep pace in a fast paced market.
- Thornburg International is on watch; they have had as bad a quarter as possible; poor stock choices; have not cost us money; however, the manager seems problematic so it is recommended the we move away from them but not change the basic 10% allocation; feels that we should probably increase the existing 20% international allocation; recommended one of the following: Dodge & Cox; Harbor Fund; TRowe Price Overseas.
- It was noted that we need to review our inflation protection for the next meeting.

Mr. Ponzio moved, seconded by Mr. Daly, to remove Thornburg and add Dodge and Cox at the same 10% allocation.

Vote: 6-0-0 motion carries

**Overpaid Pension Update – Maria Pires, Director of Finance**

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to postpone the presentation until the next quarterly meeting.

**Approval of Minutes – February 25, 2014; March 27, 2014**

Mr. Knight noted that the second page of the February 25<sup>th</sup> minutes needs to be amended as follows: (2<sup>nd</sup> bullet) ....something they use in their valuations; (4<sup>th</sup> bullet)...up 32% in calendar year 2013 (5<sup>th</sup> bullet) ,,up 17.2% in calendar year 2013.

Mr. Ponzio moved, seconded by Mr. Knight, to approve the February 25, 2014 minutes as amended and the March 27, 2014 minutes, as presented.

**Approval of Pension Benefits**

Chimini, Robert	eff. 4/1/2014	\$1,679.32
Hall, Patricia	eff. 4/1/2014	\$ 495.10
Heiden, Lois	eff. 4/1/2014	\$ 685.00
Mazako, Bernard	eff. 4/1/2014	\$ 179.92
Papageorge, John	eff. 4/1/2014	\$1,834.69
Romano, Frank	eff. 8/1/2013	\$ 151.00

Mr. Daly moved, seconded by Mrs. Pires, to approve the Pension Benefits as presented.

Vote: 6-0-0 motion carries

**Other Business**

Mr. Ponzio moved, seconded by Mrs. Pellitteri, to move into executive session at 8:15 p.m. The Chair asked the Board members and Clerk to remain.

Vote: 6-0-0 motion carries

Mr. Ponzio moved, seconded by Mr. Knight, to come out of executive session at 8:50 p.m.

Vote: 6-0-0 motion carries

Mrs. Pires indicated that she would like to hold a special meeting with the actuaries, BPS&M, on either June 24 or 25 to discuss the upcoming actuarial valuation. The Board indicated that either date would be fine. Mr. Lavin asked that Mr. Kachmar also be present.

**Adjournment**

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Phyllis C. Collier  
Pension Board Clerk