**NEWTON RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING**
**Tuesday, February 22, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.**
**Location: Newton City Hall, Room #211**

The Newton Retirement Board will also conduct this meeting virtually via ZOOM software.
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**https://zoom.us/j/95762423054?pwd=a0RmWXFVMDJJeGhVcnN3eU10SWtadz09**
Meeting ID: 957 6242 3054
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## New Agenda Items:

1. Board to review minutes of meeting held on January 11, 2022.

2. Board to review minutes of special meeting held on January 14, 2022.

3. Board to conduct public hearing to discuss FY23 retiree cost-of-living increase.

4. Receipt of three single physician medical panel certificates in connection with Firefighter James DeMeo's application for accidental disability retirement pursuant to MGL Chapter 32, Sections 7 & 94. Firefighter DeMeo is represented by Atty. Paul Hynes.

5. Receipt of an accidental/ordinary disability retirement application from Firefighter Lee Gilliam, pursuant to MGL Chapter 32, Sections 6 & 7. Firefighter Gilliam is represented by Atty. Paul Hynes.

## Administrative Agenda Items:

1. Monthly financial reporting for month ending December 31, 2021.

2. Board to review projected 2022 administrative expense report prepared by Director Byrne.

3. Board to review FY2023 budget of the Newton Retirement System as prepared by Director Byrne.

4. Board to discuss Director transition.

5. New application(s) for superannuation retirement:

| Member | Position | Dept. | DOR |
|---|---|---|---|
| Anne Banks | Admin. Executive Asst. | School | 2/8/2022 |
| Kelly Byrne | Director | Retirement | 3/18/2022 |
| Qui Chau | Finance Director | Housing Authority | 3/31/2022 |
| Brenda Goldman | Asst. Supervisor of Public Services | Library | 3/23/2022 |
| Katy Hax Holmes | Chief Preservation Planner | Planning | 5/14/2022 |
| Judith McDonald | Asst. Crime Analyst | Police | 4/15/2022 |
| Cherylann Salvucci | Teacher Aide | School | 3/31/2022 |
| Steven Umina | Police Officer | Police | 2/28/2022 |

6. Board to approve the following expense warrants:

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| Warrant# C1-22 | 2/23/2022 | Federal tax deposit funding re: member account disbursements | $ 3,483.68 |
| Warrant# 3-22 | 2/23/2022 | Administrative expense/member account disbursements | $ 1,422,144.26 |
| Warrant# 4-22 | 2/23/2022 | 2/28/2022 Contributory pension payroll | $ 3,822,665.10 |
| Warrant# 5-22 | 2/23/2022 | Additional Funding - 12/31/2021 Contributory pension payroll | $ 4,195.87 |

## Pending Agenda Items:

1. Pension overpayment issued to Dorothy O'Neil – recoupment process is being implemented.
2. 1/24/22 letter to Mayor Fuller regarding proper documentation of employee pre-employment physicals.
3. 1/1/22 actuarial valuation.
4. Current status of pending disability retirement applications – **informational only**:

| Applicant | Dept. | Current Status |
|---|---|---|
| Francis Foley III | (ret) Police | **PERAC approved on 2/10/22.** |
| Scott Perella | School | **PERAC approved on 1/18/22.** |
| Jon Schroeder | Fire | Exams scheduled for 2/1/22, 2/8/22 & 2/9/22 |
| Kevin Fitzgerald | (ret.) Fire | (2 of 3) Exams scheduled for 2/19/22 & 2/22/22 |

5. Current status of pending appeal cases - **informational only**:

| Petitioner | Docket# | Most Recent Status |
|---|---|---|
| Steven Caissie | CR-16-579 | ***Mr. Caissie died 1/28/22 – 2/10/22 PERAC filed Notice of Withdrawal of Appeal with CRAB.*** |
| Paul Giunta | CR-20-0291 | 7/8/20 Mr. Giunta appealed denial of $300/yr. veteran's benefit. |
| Edward Murphy | CR-17-724 | DALA hearing held 9/12/21. |
| Richard Metro | CR-20-0237 | 5/19/20 Mr. Metro appealed denial of $300/yr. veteran's benefit. ***2/1/22 Order to Show Cause issued to Mr. Metro by DALA. Metro filed reply w/ DALA on 2/7/22.*** |
| Cheri Zunick | CR-21-0096 | 3/17/21 Ms. Zunick (teacher aide) appealed calculation of her creditable service. ***2/7/22 Ms. Zunick filed withdrawal of appeal via email to DALA.*** |

**Next scheduled retirement board meeting: Tuesday, March 22, 2022 @ 9:00 a.m.**

*NOTE: The Board reserves the right to consider items on the agenda out of order. The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Items identified for discussion in Executive Session may be conducted in open session, in addition to or in lieu of discussion in Executive Session. A motion to convene an Executive Session may be entertained during the meeting. Meetings are open to the public and will be held in the designated meeting room in Newton City Hall. The location of this meeting is wheelchair accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities who require assistance. If you need a reasonable accommodation, please contact the City of Newton's ADA/Sec. 504 Coordinator, Jini Fairley, at least 2 business days in advance of the meeting: jfairley@newtonma.gov or 617-796-1253. The city's TTY/TDD direct line: 617-796-1089. For the Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS), dial 711.*