# NEW HAVEN POLICEMEN'S & FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND (P&F) REGULAR MEETING & ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 31, 2022 8:00 A.M. VIRTUAL MEETING

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TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mayor Justin Elicker, Fund President/Trustee

Patrick Cannon, Fire Union Rep/Trustee

Evelise Ribeiro, Police Commissioner/Trustee

Brian McDermott, Police Union Representative/Trustee

Barbara Vereen, Fire Commissioner/Trustee Darrell Brooks, Police Commissioner/Trustee

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Steven Cousin, Fire Commissioner/Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Taylor Cannon, Payroll/Pension Benefit Auditor

Fayan Robinson-Sims, Payroll/Pension Benefit Auditor Carolyn Kone, Fund Counsel, Brenner, Saltzman & Wallman Jack Strother, Fund Counsel, Brenner, Saltzman & Wallman Dave Moran, Raymond James, Fund Financial Consultant Derek Ciampini, Raymond James, Fund Financial Consultant

Michael Gormany, Fund Secretary, Acting Controller

Evonne Duzant, Worker's Comp & Risk Management Coordinator

Florencio Cotto, NHPD Police Officer, Union President

Cyril Espanol, With.Intellegiance

Gar-Chung, Fin-News

Damaris Rivera

*Trustee Patrick Cannon convened the meeting at 8:08 a.m.* 

#### **ITEM 1: INVESTMENT REPORT:**

A. RAYMOND JAMES PRESENTS

#### **ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 24, 2022 MEETING

**MOTION:** Made by Trustee Ribeiro to approve the minutes.

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Cannon MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

# **ITEM 3: ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:**

- A. DISCUSSION RE: ADOPTION OF A POLICY CREATING TIME LIMITS FOR ATTENDING MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS FOR APPLICANTS FOR DISABILITY BENEFITS.
- **B. DISCUSSION RE: UPDATING IRS APPROVED PLAN**
- C. ELECTION OF THE VICE PRESIDENT.

MOTION: Made by Trustee McDermott to nominate Trustee Patrick Cannon

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Ribeiro MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

D. ANNUAL REVIEW PF P&F POLICIES – INVESTMENT POLICY, BYLAWS, AND CODE OF CONDUCT, ETC.

Dave Moran stated they will provide a version of updates of the Investment Policy at the next meeting

E. P&F EXPENSES IN MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET

#### ITEM 4: AGE ANNUITY RETIREMENT - INFORMATION ONLY:

Age Annuity Retirement applicants qualify for an age annuity retirement which does not require trustee review, discretion, or vote. Annuity pensions are administratively accepted and processed.

A. Herschel Wadley (Fire)

Hired: 12/06/1995 Retired: 03/11/2022

Years of Service: 29.26 (includes purchase of 3-year of sick time buyback)

## ITEM 5. AGE ANNUITY RETIREMENT AND SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY:

These applicants are already receiving an age annuity retirement for which they qualified and did not require trustee review, discretion, or vote. They had also submitted service-connected disability applications which have been pending receipt of medical records from Yale Occupational. Service-Connected Disability and Non-Service-Connected Disability retirement applications require trustee review of medical records, deliberation, and vote.

A. Luiz Casanova (Police) (TABLED)

Hired: 06/03/1996 Retired: 06/30/2019

# Years of service: 28.08 (includes purchase of 5-year sick time buyback)

# Tabled for next meeting's agenda

B. Leah DiNapoli (Fire)

Hired: 06/19/2002 Retired: 12/31/2021

Years of service: 24.53 (includes purchase of 5-year sick time buyback)

**MOTION:** Made by Trustee Cannon to approve Item 5B.

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Brooks MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

## ITEM 6: SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY:

These applicants do NOT qualify for an age annuity and had submitted service-connected disability applications which have been pending receipt of medical records from Yale Occupational. Service-Connected Disability and Non- Service-Connected Disability retirement applications require trustee review of medical records, discretion, deliberation, and vote.

Robert Ferraro (Police)

Hired: 07/28/2014 Retired: Pending

Years of service: 7.66

<u>MOTION:</u> Made by Trustee Cannon to approve **MOTION SECONDED:** by Trustee Brooks

**DISCUSSION:** Trustee Brooks, and Trustee Cannon both rescinded their motions

**MOTION:** Made by Trustee Ribeiro to move into executive session for Item 6, and to include Pension Staff, Carolyn Kone, and Evonne Duzant along with the Trustees.

**MOTION SECONDED**: By Trustee Brooks **MOTION CARRIED**: By unanimous vote

Enter Executive Session at 8:47am Exit Executive Session at 9:34am

**MOTION:** Made by Trustee Ribeiro to table item pending further clarification of

medical documents

**MOTION SECONDED:** by Trustee Brooks **MOTION CARRIED:** by unanimous vote

# ITEM 7: PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: (See Attached Itemization)

**MOTION:** Made by Trustee Cannon to approve the payment of the bills.

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Brooks MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

#### **ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Made by Trustee Brooks to adjourn MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Ribeiro MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 A.M

## **NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

Thursday, April 28, 2022 8:00 AM

# **ITEM 7: <u>ITEMIZED BILLS FOR PAYMENT:</u>**

# A) LEGAL EXPENSES:

BRENNER, SALTZMAN & WALLMAN LLP- PROFESSIONAL	\$6,000.00
SERVICES: FEBRUARY 2022 #68104	
Total Legal Expenses	\$6,000.00

# D). MEDICAL CONSULTANT EXPENSES

Yale Occupational (Examination Bills 04/02/2021-10/08/2021)	\$4,000.00
Inv# CI-00163167	
Total Medical Expenses	\$4,000.00

Total Expenses	\$10,000.00
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**ATTEST:** 

Michael Gormany, Acting Controller, P&F Fund Secretary