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MEETING MINUTES

RETIREMENT BOARD

JULY 22, 2014

The meeting of the Retirement Board was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Judy Nicolari. All present rose and pledged allegiance to the flag. Roll call was as follows:

Members present: John Finnucan, Board of Public Works
Elizabeth Lynch, Town Clerk
Judy Nicolari, City Treasurer
Joan Radin, Board of Aldermen
Lorie Vaccaro, Board of Aldermen

Members absent: Daniel King, Board of Apportionment and Taxation
Michael Smerznak, Board of Apportionment and Taxation

Also in Attendance: John Marini, Corporation Counsel
Eileen Ehman, Board of Education

Chairman Nicolari declared a quorum.

Chairman Nicolari stated that members received the minutes of the meeting held on June 10, 2014. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Joan Radin; seconded by John Finnucan. Approved unanimously.

Mrs Radin directed a request to Corporation Counsel Marini to open a discussion regarding eligibility for membership in the pension plan and if it has to be negotiated with the union. A lengthy discussion took place as to how the Retirement Board can work to formulate a plan going forward so that all new hires are informed of what is required for membership and to ensure that procedures are in place. Corporation Counsel Marini suggested forming a sub-committee to discuss the matter. Chairman Nicolari agreed to schedule a meeting and would contact the Board of Education so that those involved with the hiring of all new employees can work together with the Board to be sure that everyone is informed and there is a plan in place. Lorie Vaccaro, John Finnucan and Beth Lynch agreed to be part of the sub-committee.

The next agenda item is to review and act upon the membership application of Board of Education employee Tiffany Barbieri. A motion was made by John Finnucan to accept Tiffany Barbieri's application; seconded by Joan Radin. The vote was unanimous.

The next item is to review and act upon the retirement application of Board of Education secretary Susan Vacca, effective August 4, 2014. A motion was made by Lorie Vaccaro to approve Susan Vacca's retirement, effective August 4, 2014; seconded by Joan Radin. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Nicolari was contacted by recent retiree Charles Del Valle as to the effective date of his pension. He retired in April and has started receiving pension checks but the first one was for the month of July. He believes that his first check should have been for the month of May. Some discussion took place and it was agreed that the pension benefit should have started in May. A motion was made by Lorie Vaccaro; seconded by John Finnucan to make his pension effective as of April, 2014. Approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Beth Lynch to enter Executive Session at 7:35 P.M.; seconded by Lorie Vaccaro. Mrs. Ehman stated that she would remain outside until the Executive Session was over.

Lorie Vaccaro made a motion at 7:45 P.M. to return to regular session; seconded by John Finnucan. A motion was made by John Finnucan to accept the membership application of Board of Education James Gaskins; seconded by Lorie Vaccaro. Approved unanimously. Lorie Vaccaro made a motion authorizing Corporation Counsel John Marini to settle the claims of Board of Education employees Eileen Ehman and James Gaskins as discussed in executive session; seconded by John Finnucan. Approved unanimously.

Joan Radin made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 P.M.; seconded by John Finnucan. Approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth S. Lynch
Secretary