

Brockton Contributory Retirement Agenda for February 25, 2025 at 1:00 P.M.
1322 Belmont Street; Suite 101, Brockton, MA 02301

William R. Farmer, Chairman
John A. Condon, Appointed
Irene Giannopoulos, Ex Officio

Archibald Gormley, Jr., Elected
Scott G. Albanese, Elected

Board Counsel, Greg Galvin, and Executive Director, Jeanne Martineau, in attendance

Yes-No-Abstain

Chair to recognize any member of the public who wishes to be acknowledged.

Mayor Robert Sullivan and CFO Troy Clarkson were present. They realize that the funding schedule has been accepted and acknowledged the FY 26 appropriation request, yet the city has had budgeting issues and wonder if there is any relief. Clarkson states that the city is looking for ways to address costs. There is still \$59M in authorized but unissued pension obligation bonds. They are thinking of creative ways to meet their fiscal obligations. The Chair suggested that the city pay one half in July and the other half in December assuming the actuarial interest. The Board designated Jay Condon, retired CFO, to work with the Mayor and the current CFO to determine if there are any other measures of relief that is amenable to both the city and the Board. Condon will meet with the City representatives and report back to the Board.

COLA Hearing:

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to open the public hearing for purposes of discussing the cost-of-living increase for retirees effective July 01, 2025.

So voted: (5-0-0)

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to grant a 3% Cost of Living increase to Brockton Retirement recipients on the first \$14,000 of their allowance effective July 01, 2025.

So voted: (5-0-0)

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to close the public hearing and open the regular meeting

So voted: (5-0-0)

Board to call for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to nominate Bill Farmer as Chair.

So voted: (4-0-1) B.F.

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- Motion by B. Farmer, second by A. Gormley to nominate Scott Albanese as Vice Chair.
So voted: (4-0-1) S.A.

Minutes:

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to approve the regular minutes of January 21, 2025.
So voted: (5-0-0)

Vendor and Payroll Warrant:

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to approve and authorize the payment of bills listed on the warrant of February 28, 2025.
So voted: (5-0-0)
- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to approve and authorize the Contributory Pension Payroll for February 28, 2025.
So voted: (5-0-0)

Refunds/Rollovers

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Dept</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Kayla Cardoso | School |
| Jonathan Correia | Excess Contributions |
| Stephanie Maguire | Excess Contributions |
| Gaby Joseph | School |
| Gracious Royster | School |
| Melissa Blackburn | School |
| Evelina Luz | School |
| Sydney Meurling | School |
| Krystihanna Hudson | School |
| Kristen Fredericksen | School |
| Daniel Vaughan | Traffic Duty refund |
| David Vacca | Traffic Duty refund |
| Mark Tironati | Excess Contributions |
| James Conceicao | School |
| Daiana Carvalho | BHA |
| Tiffnay Goodman | Non-member |

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to accept the refunds as listed above.
So voted: (5-0-0)

Transfers Out

| <u>Name</u> | <u>System</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Kelly McLeod | MTRS |
| Ashley Duff | MTRS |
| Joana Pina | MTRS |
| Karleen Fernandes | MTRS |
| Kelsey Lynch | Norfolk County |

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to accept the Transfers Out as listed above
So voted: (5-0-0)

Retirement Applications Received:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Dept.</u> | <u>Type</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Kevin Gately | BHA | Superannuation | 02/08/2025 |
| Lawrence Noonan | City | Superannuation | 04/29/2025 |
| Patricia Desgrosseilliers | BHA | Superannuation | 06/07/2025 |

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to accept the retirement applications as listed above
So voted: (5-0-0)

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| Retirees' Payroll Check Series Used: | 404414-404415 |
| Retirees' Payroll End Check Series Used: | 404416-404417 |
| Refund Warrant Check Series Used: | n/a |
| Vendor Warrant Check Series Used: | 404411-404413 |

Educational Opportunities

Mass Municipal Auditors and Accountants Association (MMAAA) to hold its annual education program at UMASS Amherst March 16-19.

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to authorize attendance and reimbursement of expenses for the Director to attend, per contractual agreement
So voted: (5-0-0)

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Accidental Disabilities

LAURA J. MAGUIRE, Food Service Manager, applied for ADR. Board to review Application, Physician Statement, Employer Statement and relevant medical records. William White, (Law Offices of White & White, P.C.) representing.

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing medical records.

Roll Call vote: S.A.(I), A.G.(I), J.C.(I), I.G.(I), B.F.(I)

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to exit Executive Session

Roll Call vote: S.A.(I), A.G.(I), J.C.(I), I.G.(I), B.F.(I)

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to request that PERAC convene a medical Panel.

So voted: (5-0-0)

ANTHONY J. FILS, Patrol Officer, applied for ADR. Board to review Application, Physician Statement, Employer Statement and relevant medical records. Leigh Panettiere, (Law Offices of Leigh Panettiere) representing.

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing medical records.

Roll Call vote: S.A.(I), A.G.(I), J.C.(I), I.G.(I), B.F.(I)

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- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to request that PERAC convene a medical Panel.

So voted: (5-0-0)

MINERVA (Rosie) VAZQUEZ-BROWN, Patrol Officer, applied for ADR. Board to review Application, Physician Statement, Employer Statement and relevant medical records. Leigh Panettiere, (Law Offices of Leigh Panettiere) representing.

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing medical records.

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So voted: (5-0-0)

KRISTEN HILLIARD-O'BRIEN, Patrol Officer, Board to review all three medical panel certificates and narratives, all of which were answered in the affirmative.

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to accept the medical panel findings and forward the Disability Transmittal to PERAC.

So voted: (5-0-0)

Financials

SEI Report for December (*preliminary- prev. emailed to bd 1/17*)

Cash books submitted for November & December

February Expense Budget available for Board's review

Old Business

n/a

New Business

n/a

OTHER BUSINESS

Topic/s not reasonably anticipated by the Chairman

Military Service Appropriation was received by PERAC.

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to send this appropriation request to the City in the amount of \$135,506.75 pursuant to MGL Chapter 32 §22(4)(a) and (c).

So voted: (5-0-0)

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NON-ACTION ITEMS

Notice of Deaths

Jane Fitts, deceased January 27, 2025, retired Paraprofessional. No further payments will be made in her name.

Marion Zoino, deceased January 23, 2025, retired Nurse. No further payments will be made in her name.

Claire Ronan, deceased January 25, 2025, retired Paraprofessional. No further payments will be made in her name.

William Donahue, deceased January 27, 2025, retired Police Officer. No further payments will be made in his name.

Audrey Nevins, deceased February 7, 2025, retired Café Worker. No further payments will be made in her name.

Diane Sullivan, deceased February 9, 2025, retired Clerk. No further payments will be made in her name.

Joseph Gambrazzio, deceased February 1, 2025, retired Patrolman. No further payments will be made in his name.

George Moore, deceased February 9, 2025, retired Fire Alarm Operator. Survivor benefits to be made to spouse.

Robert Bunar, deceased February 13, 2025, retired Patrolman. No further payments will be made in his name.

George Allen, deceased February 16, 2025, retired School Committee. No further payments will be made in his name.

PERAC Retirement Calculation Approvals

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Dept.</u> | <u>Type</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Wayne Horton | School | Superannuation | 10/24/2024 |
| Samuel Carde | City | Superannuation | 11/09/2024 |

OLD Business

n/a

Other Business

Email from Mass Retirees dated 1/24/25, "Social Security, FY 26 Budget & our legislative Proposals" *(prev. emailed to Bd 1/24/25)*

Email from Mass Retirees dated 1/24/25, "Latest Information from Social Security" *(prev. emailed to Bd 1/24/25)*

Email from Mass Retirees dated 1/31/25, "Lots to report this week" *(prev. emailed to Bd 1/31/25)*

Email from Mass Retirees dated 2/7/25, "COLA, GIC, WEP, GPO" *(prev. emailed to Bd 2/7/25)*

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Email from Mass Retirees dated 2/14/25, "Checks Begin to Arrive" (prev. emailed to Bd 2/14/25)
Email from Mass Retirees dated 2/21/25, "Hope, Concerns, and Survey" (prev. emailed to Bd 2/21/25)

PERAC Memos

<http://www.mass.gov/perac-memos>

PM# 7-2025 Buyback Repayment Worksheets

PM# 8-2025 Investment Manager Statements via PROSPER

PM# 9-2025 Actuarial Data

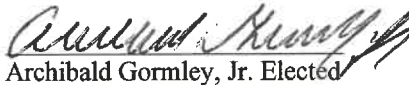
Next meeting scheduled for March 25, 2025 9:00 A.M.

- Motion by S. Albanese, second by A. Gormley to adjourn the meeting
So voted: (5-0-0)

Meeting adjourned (2:00):



William R. Farmer, Chairman




Archibald Gormley, Jr. Elected



John A. Condon, Appointed



Scott G. Albanese, Elected



Irene Giannopoulos, Ex-Officio

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