

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PENSION BOARD OF THE CITY OF ALAMEDA HELD 4:30 P.M., JULY 25, 2016 ALAMEDA CITY HALL 2263 SANTA CLARA AVENUE, ALAMEDA CONFERENCE ROOM 391

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Trish Herrera Spencer at 4:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Chair: Trish Herrera Spencer, Trustees: William Soderlund, Nancy Elzig, and Nancy Bronstein, Absent: Bruce Edwards

Staff: Geoffrey Buchheim, Financial Services Manager; Nafisah Ali, Administrative Technician - Human Resources

3. MINUTES:

Member Bronstein noted the mistake on the April 25th Pension Board meeting minutes referencing Member Soderlund instead of Member Edwards being absent from the July 25th Pension Board meeting and that it will be corrected.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 25, 2016 was moved for approval by Member Elzig and seconded by Member Soderlund. Passed 3-0.

4. AGENDA ITEMS:

4-A. Pension Payroll and Financial Reports – Quarter Ending June 30, 2016 and City of Alameda Police & Fire Pension Funds Financial Reports for the Period Ending March 31, 2016.

Financial Services Manager, Geoffrey Buchheim summarized the quarterly and fiscal year totals. He noted that there is a slight increase for the June Pension due to the quarterly payment of the Uniform Allowance. He also noted as of June 30th, there are twenty-four (24) members in both 1079 and 1082 Pension Plans.

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There are eleven (11) in both Fire and Police 1079 Pension Plan and two (2) members in the 1082 Pension Plan.

Member Soderlund moved to accept the financial statement as presented. Member Elzig seconded. Passed 3-0

4-B. Memo regarding the death of 1079 Pensioner – Charles Roeder, Police Officer, deceased 05/01/2016, and Consuelo Thompson (widow of Police Captain Ivan Thompson) deceased 06/14/2016, was accepted with regret by Member Soderlund and seconded by Member Elzig. Passed 3-0.

Mayor Trish Spencer asked if condolence letters were sent. Administrative Technician, Nafisah Ali confirmed letters were sent to both families.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA (PUBLIC COMMENT):

There was no communication from the public.

6. PENSION BOARD COMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD):

Member Elzig mentioned the death of Police Officer and former Pension Board member, Robert Follrath and that his daughter, Beverly Johnson, was the former City of Alameda Mayor. Member Soderlund commented that due to his illness, he had made a motion to the Chief to see if he would step down and that is when Bruce Edwards became part of the Pension Board member. Mayor Trish Spencer noted a meeting was adjourned in his name however, would like to send a condolence letter to the family. Member Bronstein and Administrative Technician, Nafisah Ali agreed to draft a letter to be sent on behalf of the City and Pension Board.

Member Soderlund asked if condolence letters are sent to 1082 deceased Pensioners. Administrative Technician, Nafisah Ali replied that since she's been with the City she has only sent letters for deceased 1079 Pensioners. Member Soderlund commented that since most of the 1082 Pensioners transferred to PERS, which could be why letters are not sent.

Member Elzig commented that during the time Robert Follrath was on the Pension Board, it was a very active time when money was still being managed for the Pension Plan and discussions on how to manage disability issues. Member Soderlund also noted how the Pension Plan wanted to have the City deal with any disability issues. Member Bronstein stated the Human Resources Department reviews Industrial Disabilities and asked the Board if IDRs are supposed to be reviewed by the Pension Board. Member Soderlund answered it should not due to what was decided between the City and the Pension Plan.

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Member Elzig mentioned how much Robert Follrath petitioned to install a separate City flag pole in front of City Hall next to the existing American flag pole. This flag pole would have been for City employees who have passed but the secondary flag pole did not pass.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional items to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bronstein Human Resources Director

