

Champaign Police Pension Fund Special Meeting July 30th, 2015

Meeting called to order at 1330hrs at the Champaign Police Pension Office, 10 Henson Place, by President Neumann.

Members present

Bill Neumann
Patrick Kelly
Patrick Simons

Others present

Stanley Earle – police retiree
Holly Nearing – police retiree

Meeting was called to Order @ 1330 by President Neumann , this meeting was called due to two factors: To date, the Champaign Mayor has not appointed either of 2 positions she is to fill with Board Trustees, so the board consists of 3 members. On the regular meeting date of July 20th, 2015 at 1330hrs, Board Secretary Kelly had been subpoenaed to testify in Champaign County Court, and was not available for the meeting.

Due to not enough members for the 29th, only the Bogdahn information and report was received, no business was conducted, all items were tabled for this Special Meeting.

MINUTES

Minutes for Quarterly Meeting dated May 27th, 2015 reviewed, motion to accept by Simons, Seconded by Kelly, all in favor, motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial Statement dated June 30th, 2015, reviewed, motion to accept by Simons, Seconded by Kelly, all in favor, motion carried.

VOUCHERS

Motion made by Kelly to approve the vouchers, Seconded by Simons, all in favor, motion carried.

DECISION AND ORDER – MATTHEW IVERSON DISABILITY

The Decision and Order for the Disability Hearing for Officer Matthew Iverson was reviewed, with a motion to accept by Kelly, Seconded by Simons. Roll Call Vote:
Bill Neumann – Yes
Patrick Kelly – Yes
Patrick Simons – Yes

Motion carries, and Order signed by Neumann and Kelly. Copy of Decision and Order attached as “A” (12 pages)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion for Election of Officer for the Board presented as follows by Neumann:
President – Neumann
Treasurer– Simons
Secretary – Kelly

Motion seconded by Kelly, all in favor, motion carried.

JAMES PETERSON PENSION

Retired Officer James Peterson resides out of state, and has been non-compliant with the required annual notification to the Pension Fund. President Neumann stated he has sent standard mail, sent email (not returned), and called the listed phone number (disconnected) Motion made by Kelly to send a Certified Letter, with receipt requested, and instructions that if he does not comply in 30 days, then his Pension Payments will be withheld until he is compliant. Seconded by Simons, Motion carried.

KATHY WEBER – SURVIVORS PENSION

Documents signed for Kathy Weber, spouse of deceased Officer Kent Weber, to begin her surviving spouse Pension.

OFFICER MATTHEW RUSH – PENSION PAYMENTS DUE TO FUND

Officer Rush was previously terminated by the Police Department, appealed, and won the appeal in Arbitration. Pursuant to winning, Officer Rush had withdrawn his Pension Funds (after he was terminated), approximately \$17,000.00

Officer Rush has been reinstated by the Police Department, and has been spoken to, on multiple occasions, by Simons and Kelly, that he needs to repay the fund for the money he took out, to make himself whole again. To date, he has not replied to President Neumann’s request to repay the fund, or to set up some type of repayment plan. It has been conveyed to him that he is currently not a member of good standing with the fund, and would not receive a Pension if something were to happen to him today.

Motion made for President Neumann to draft and send a letter to Officer Rush, indicating that he will have 30 days to contact President Neumann and to set up a repayment plan, or the matter will be turned over the City. Seconded by Simons, all in favor, Motion passed, Neumann to send a letter.

AUDIT

Motion was made by Simons to approve a 1 year extension on Kemper's 3 year contract to conduct the Audit of the CPPF, for \$7,500.00 Seconded by Kelly, all in favor, motion carried. Neumann to execute the contract, which will be put out for bid for next year.

SHANNON BRIDGES MATTER

Shannon Bridges is receiving a Disability pension, and required to re-certify annually. President Neumann was concerned with the Dr. listed on her annual certification, as it was signed as an "M.D." After a review of her file, it was noted that Dr. Roberts was listed as 2010, through now, and his letter stated that he was her treating Psychiatrist, and continues to be so today. A check with Carle Hospital Physicians showed that he is with the Psychiatry department, and is a Psychiatrist, a medical doctor. All is in order, Motion made by Kelly that no action is necessary as she is in compliance, Seconded by Simons, all in favor, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REBALANCING

From the previous day's meeting, documentation from Bogdahn showed that the Fund was slightly out of balance, with the following rebalancing suggested:

\$600,000 to be taken from Kayne Anderson
\$200,000 to be put into Holland
\$400,00 to be put into Fiduciary

Motion by Kelly for Pres Neumann to instruct Bogdahn to make the necessary forms and transfers, Seconded by Simons, All in favor, motion carried.

TENNILL LETTER

President Neumann brought to the Board's attention a matter involving a pending Disability Pension with Officer Chad Tennill. A Subpoena had been issued to the City, requesting all records for Officer Tennill on March 03rd, 2015, pursuant to Officer Tennill applying for a Disability Pension. As of July 09th, 2015, no records had been received. As the City was non-compliant with the Subpoena, Board Attny Charles Atwell sent the attached letter Chief Cobb on July 09th, requesting all records be provided prior to July 31st, 2015. As of the time of this Board Meeting, the City remains non-compliant with the request for records, to continue with the Pension process.

It was also brought to the Board attention that this was all pursuant to recent conversations with former board member and City HR Director Jason Hood, who assured the Board that the City was and would be fully cooperative with the processes to get these processed in a timely matter. The most recent Disability Hearing, in March of this year, for Officer Matt Iverson, Mr. Hood was part of that Board Hearing as a Trustee, and the City turned over the requested documents the day after the hearing, not complying with those records requests in a timely matter.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

Motion to adjourn by Kelly at 1420hrs, Seconded by Simons, all in favor, meeting adjourned.