



**Retirement Board of the Employees'**  
**Retirement System**  
**Regular Meeting**  
 ~ Meeting Minutes ~

Wednesday, February 24, 2016

10:30 AM

Committee "B" (City Hall 3rd Floor)

PRESENT: Chairman Lawrence J. Mancini; James J. Lombardi, III, City Treasurer; Sylvia Bernal; Joseph Callei; Lino Cambio; John M. Carnevale; April Chase-Lubitz; Thomas D'Amico; Betty Jackson; Susan LaPidus and Carl H. Richards – 11.

ABSENT: Vice-Chairman Raymond A. Hull and Councilman John J. Igliazzi – 2.

Also present are Kenneth Chiavarini, Senior Assistant City Solicitor, Law Department; Dr. Donnah Mathews, Medical Advisor; Krystle Lindberg, Acting Pension Administrator; Heather Kilkenny, Confidential Assistant to Director of Human Resources; Dennis A. LeBlanc, Jr., Joseph Pezza, Esquire for Mr. LeBlanc; Sergeant Pasquale Granata, Providence Police Department; Robert K. Boehm, President, Fraternal Order of Police; Lori L. Hagen, City Clerk and Donna M. Peligian, Assistant Clerk.

**1. Approval of Minutes:**

None.

**2. Retirement Board Disability Committee Report: Closed Session: RIGL 42-46-4 and RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1) (Specific to discussion regarding physical or mental health of a person)**

**a. Patricia Marcoccio-Accidental Disability**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CONTINUED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Lombardi
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mr. Richards
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards - 11.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

**b. Steven R. DeConte -Accidental Disability**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CONTINUED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Lombardi
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ms. Bernal
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards - 11.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

**c. Michael Morse- Accidental Disability**

On motion of Mr. Lombardi, Seconded by Mr. Cambio, it is voted to deny the application for Accidental Disability of Michael Morse, by the following Roll Call Vote:

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DENIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Lombardi
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mr. Cambio
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson and Ms. LaPidus - 10.
<b>NAYES:</b>	Mr. Richards – 1.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

**d. William J. Gallant -Accidental Disability**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CONTINUED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Lombardi
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mr. Richards
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards – 11.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

**e. Dennis A. LeBlanc, Jr. -Accidental Disability**

On motion of Mr. Lombardi, Seconded by Mr. Richards, it is voted to approve the application for Accidental Disability of Dennis A. LaBlanc, Jr., by the following Roll Call Vote:

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Lombardi
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mr. Richards
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D’Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards - 11.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

**3. Invoices for payment:**

None.

**4. Purchase of Service:**

None.

**5. Loans Against Member Retirement Contributions.**

City of Providence Retirement Loan Portfolio – E.R.S. Monthly Loan Summary <u>January 2016</u>
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	Begin Balance	Loans Issued	Principal Issued	Principal Paid	End Balance
<u>City Sub-totals:</u>	\$18,752,072.13	64	\$298,332.00	-\$318,854.73	\$18,731,549.40
<u>School Sub-totals:</u>	\$ 7,831,013.11	46	\$ 116,800.00	-\$70,789.86	\$7,878,023.25
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$26,583,085.24</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>\$415,132.00</b>	<b>-\$389,644.59</b>	<b>\$26,609,572.65</b>

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mr. Lombardi
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ms. LaPidus
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards – 11.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Iglizzi - 2.

**6. Service Retirements:**

**Maximum – Clarence A. Cunha – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of Clarence A. Cunha, employed as Chief by the Fire Department. Mr. Cunha is 60 years of age with a service record of thirty-four years, ten months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Clarence A. Cunha – Chief/Fire Department

Allowance: \$7,610.63 a month, effective July 26, 2015.

**Maximum – David A. Soscia – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of David A. Soscia, employed as Battalion Chief by the Fire Department. Mr. Soscia is 56 years of age with a service record of thirty-four years, four months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

David A. Soscia – Battalion Chief/Fire Department

Allowance: \$5,864.50 a month, effective August 2, 2015.

**Option I – Suzanne Babcock – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of Suzanne Babcock, employed as Clerk by the School Department. Ms. Babcock is 64 years of age with a service record of twelve years, ten months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Suzanne Babcock – Clerk/School Department

Allowance: \$701.10 a month, effective June 29, 2015.

**Option II: None**

**Option III – Elizabeth Charlebois – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of Elizabeth Charlebois, employed as Director by the Department of Parks and Recreation. Ms. Charlebois is 54 years of age with a service record of twenty-six years, seven months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Elizabeth Charlebois – Director/Department of Parks and Recreation

Allowance: \$4,438.34 a month, effective September 19, 2015.

**Option IV – Anibal Baez, Jr. – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of Anibal Baez, Jr., employed as Patrolman by the Police Department. Mr. Baez is 53 years of age with a service record of twenty-one years, four months, fourteen days, purchasing three years, ten months, fifteen days, working twenty-five years, three months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Anibal Baez, Jr. – Patrolman/Police Department

Allowance: \$2,200.48 a month, effective September 29, 2015.

**Option IV – John F. Nicholson, Jr. – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of John F. Nicholson, Jr., employed as Firefighter by the Fire Department. Mr. Nicholson is 44 years of age with a service record of twenty-one years, eight months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

John F. Nicholson, Jr. – Firefighter/Fire Department

Allowance: \$1,984.62 a month, effective June 30, 2015.

**Option IV – Stephen A. Rocchio – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of Stephen A. Rocchio, employed as Firefighter by the Fire Department. Mr. Rocchio is 51 years of age with a service record of twenty-three years, eleven months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Stephen A. Rocchio – Firefighter/Fire Department

Allowance: \$1,987.57 a month, effective June 30, 2015.

**Option IV – John A. Sigillo – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of John A. Sigillo, employed as Police Officer by the Police Department. Mr. Sigillo is 50 years of age with a service record of twenty-five years, nine months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

John A. Sigillo – Police Officer/Police Department

Allowance: \$2,487.20 a month, effective October 16, 2015.

**Option IV – Carmine Vita, Jr. – APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT**

Ms. Lindberg presents the application for service retirement of Carmine Vita, Jr., employed as Lieutenant by the Fire Department. Mr. Vita is 51 years of age with a service record of twenty-one years, ten months, twenty-one days, purchasing four years, working twenty-five years, eleven months, working for the City the same length of time.

This application is in proper form with allowance as recommended by the Actuary as follows:

Carmine Vita, Jr. – Lieutenant/Fire Department

Allowance: \$2,577.56 a month, effective September 8, 2015.

**RESULT:** ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Ms. Jackson  
**SECONDER:** Mr. Cambio  
**AYES:** Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D’Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards – 11.  
**ABSENT:** Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

**7. New/Continued Business:**

- a. The Board may meet in executive session, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(2), to discuss issues pertaining to the matter pending before the Rhode Island Supreme Court in *Retirement Board of the Employees’ Retirement System of the City of Providence v. Frank E. Corrente, et al.*, Nos. SU12-0110, SU12-0111 and SU12-0112.**

**RESULT:** CONTINUED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Ms. LaPidus  
**SECONDER:** Mr. D’Amico  
**AYES:** Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D’Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards – 11.  
**ABSENT:** Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

- b. The Board may meet in executive session, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(2), to discuss issues pertaining to the matter pending before the Rhode Island Superior Court in *Sauro v. James Lombardi, in his capacity as Treasurer of the City of Providence; Retirement Board of the Employees Retirement System of the City of Providence* CA NO. PC 14-3388.**

**RESULT:** CONTINUED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Mr. Cambio  
**SECONDER:** Ms. Chase-Lubitz  
**AYES:** Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D’Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards – 11.  
**ABSENT:** Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.



- c. **The Board may meet in executive session, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(2), to discuss issues pertaining to the matter pending before the Rhode Island Supreme Court in *Prew v. Providence Retirement Board SU-14-0270*.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>CONTINUED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ms. Chase-Lubitz
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mr. Callei
<b>AYES:</b>	Chairman Mancini, Mr. Lombardi, Ms. Bernal, Mr. Callei, Mr. Cambio, Mr. Carnevale Ms. Chase-Lubitz, Mr. D'Amico, Ms. Jackson, Ms. LaPidus and Mr. Richards – 11.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Vice-Chairman Hull and Councilman Igliazzi - 2.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On motion of Ms. Jackson, Seconded by Mr. Richards, it is voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 o'clock A.M.

  
**City Clerk**

  
**Assistant Clerk**