

MEETING NO. 4239  
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
OF THE CITY OF DETROIT  
HELD **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 07, 2019**

10:00 A.M.

RETIREMENT SYSTEMS CONFERENCE ROOM  
ALLOY CENTER, 500 WOODWARD AVENUE; SUITE 3000  
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Wendell Anthony	Trustee
Jermaine Brown	Trustee
Tasha L. Cowan	Trustee
Kimberly Hall-Wagner	Trustee (via tele-phone)
John Naglick	Ex-Officio Trustee/Finance Director
June Nickleberry	Trustee/Chairperson
Crystal Perkins	Trustee
Thomas Sheehan	Trustee/Vice- Chairperson

TRUSTEES EXCUSED

Scott Benson	Ex-Officio Trustee/City Council Member
Christa Mclellan	Ex-Officio Trustee/City Treasurer

TRUSTEES ABSENT

None

ALSO PRESENT

Ryan Bigelow	Chief Investment Officer
Michael VanOverbeke	General Counsel
TaKneisha Johnson	Administrative Assistant IV
Lamonica Arrington-Cabean	For Assistant Executive Director

STAFF EXCUSED

David Cetlinski	Executive Director
Gail A. Oxendine	Assistant Executive Director

CHAIRPERSON

**June Nickleberry**

The Board's Recording Secretary took a verbal Roll Call at 10:04 a.m. and Chairperson Nickleberry called the meeting to order.

***Present at Roll Call: Jermaine Brown, Tasha L. Cowan, Kimberly Hall-Wagner (via telephone) Crystal Perkins and Thomas Sheehan***

**Re: Legacy Plan Service Retirement(s)**

Motion By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Perkins

**RESOLVED**, that the application(s) for retirement from the **COMPONENT II (LEGACY) PLAN** as outlined below be hereby APPROVED:

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Julianne R. Fornell – Librarian III - Library
SERVICE CREDIT	15-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-27-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Edward V. Keelean - Supv Asst Corporation Counsel - Law
SERVICE CREDIT	15-08
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-03-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Cecil Knight – RCPO - DPW
SERVICE CREDIT	18-06
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-17-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Alvin Lee – TEO - Transportation
SERVICE CREDIT	07-10
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-02-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Christopher T. Lewis – General Auto Mechanic - Transportation
SERVICE CREDIT	25-11
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-07-19

**Service Retirement (s) - continued**

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Julie Gonzalez-Logart – Coach Service Attendant - Transportation
SERVICE CREDIT	18-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-24-19
NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Ronald D. Muir – Supv Bldg. Insp – Building & Safety
SERVICE CREDIT	29-10
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-08-19
NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Alonda R. Neely – Sr. Rec & Identification Technician – Police (Civilian)
SERVICE CREDIT	12-01
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-15-19
NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Kumarpal Shah – Building Inspector – Building & Safety
SERVICE CREDIT	17-11
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-02-19
NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Mitchell Sylvester – Building Maintenance Foreman – General Services
SERVICE CREDIT	28-08
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-21-19
NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	John Treanor - Building Inspector – Building & Safety
SERVICE CREDIT	28-06
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-11-19
NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Rolland W. Wilkins – Supv Bldg. Inspector – Building & Safety
SERVICE CREDIT	20-06
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-25-19

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**Re: Vested Retirement(s)**

Motion By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Perkins

**RESOLVED**, that the application(s) for **VESTED RETIREMENT** as outlined below be hereby APPROVED:

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Willie Bridges – Appraisal Tech I - Finance
SERVICE CREDIT	20-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-01-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Dennis Brown – Sewage Plant Operator – Water & Sewerage
SERVICE CREDIT	25-11
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-01-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Vincent W. Johnson – Auto Mechanic – Water & Sewerage
SERVICE CREDIT	04-05
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-01-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Olakunle M. Obayan – Manager II – Municipal Parking
SERVICE CREDIT	10-06
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-01-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Fred Lee Smith – Bldg. Trades Worker General - Transportation
SERVICE CREDIT	14-10
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-01-19

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**Re: Hybrid Plan Service Retirement(s)**

Motion By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Perkins

**RESOLVED**, that the application(s) for retirement from the **COMPONENT I (HYBRID) PLAN** as outlined below be hereby APPROVED:

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Dennis A. Crawford – Park Maintenance Worker – General Services
SERVICE CREDIT	03-09
EFFECTIVE DATE	03-01-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Julianne R. Fornell – Librarian III - Library
SERVICE CREDIT	05-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-27-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Edward V. Keelean - Deputy Corporation Counsel - Law
SERVICE CREDIT	05-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-03-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Kumarpal Shah – Building Inspector – Building & Safety
SERVICE CREDIT	05-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-02-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Mitchell Sylvester – Bldg. Maint. Foreman – General Services
SERVICE CREDIT	05-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-21-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	John Treanor - Building Inspector – Building & Safety
SERVICE CREDIT	05-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-11-19

**Re: Hybrid Plan Service Retirement(s) - continued**

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Trina D. Tucker – Supt Grounds Maint – General Services
SERVICE CREDIT	01-06
EFFECTIVE DATE	07-01-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Rolland W. Wilkins – Supv Bldg. Inspector – Building & Safety
SERVICE CREDIT	05-00
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-25-19

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**Re: Change of Computation(s)**

**Motion By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Perkins**

**RESOLVED**, that the application(s) for **CHANGE OF COMPUTATION** as outlined below be hereby APPROVED:

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Theodore Cheatham – General Auto Mechanic – Water & Sewerage
SERVICE CREDIT	18-01
EFFECTIVE DATE	06-05-19

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT	Mitchell Clark – Water System Repair Worker - Water & Sewerage
SERVICE CREDIT	23-10
EFFECTIVE DATE	12-03-18

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**RECEIPTS: The Board received the following receipts for Acknowledgment:**

Cash Receipts  
Company: RSCD-General  
Cash Account: HYBLIQUES  
Start Date: 7/7/2019  
End Date: 8/5/2019

Doc. Date	Module	Tran. Type	Doc. Nbr.	Description	R/C	Receipt
7/12/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001763	Pre tax mandatory pension contributions 7-12-19	R/C	88,464.16
7/12/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001764	Post tax annuity contributions 7-12-19	R/C	79,652.71
7/19/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001772	Post tax annuity contributions 7-19-19	R/C	177,098.69
7/19/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001773	Mandatory pre tax contributions 7-19-19	R/C	308,108.79
7/26/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001786	Pre tax mandatory pension contributions 7-26-19	R/C	86,129.28
7/26/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001787	Post tax annuity contributions 7-26-19	R/C	73,781.49
						813,235.12

Cash Receipts  
Company: RSCD-General  
Cash Account: LIQ RESERV  
Start Date: 7/7/2019  
End Date: 8/5/2019

Doc. Date	Module	Tran. Type	Doc. Nbr.	Description	R/C	Receipt
7/23/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001775	Loan Deductions 7-12-19 (\$25,651.60) (Wire rec'd 7/23 was \$999.99 over)	R/C	26,651.59
7/23/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001776	Loan Deductions 7-19-19 (\$45,302.59)	R/C	45,302.59
7/30/2019	CA	Cash Entry	001793	Loan Deduction Program 7-26-19(\$24,004.35)	R/C	23,004.35
						94,958.53

**Total Receipts** **908,193.65**

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Perkins

**WHEREAS**, the Board has been presented with the List of Disbursements for Board Approval which is referenced below requesting payment for Fees and Expenses, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has been requested to approve payment of said Fees and Expenses;  
**THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that subject to staff audit and approval of all Legal Fees by the Board's General Counsel, the Board **APPROVE** payment of the following Fees and Expenses:

Disbursement Report

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Account	Payment Method	Currency			
LIQ RESERV	WIRE	US			
<b>Vendor Name</b>			<b>Invoice Number</b>	<b>Invoice Description</b>	<b>Amount To Pay</b>
ADAMS STREET CO-INVESTMENT IV A, LP			080119	Capital Call #1	3,644,486.00
BNY Mellon			111-2019-0026454	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '19	50,603.18
Landmark Equity Partners XV, LP			072519	Capital Call	73,128.00
PERMIRA CREDIT SOLUTIONS III			072619	Capital Call	6,400,000.00
WIND POINT PARTNERS IV			080619	Capital Call	1,481,481.00
Bridgett Hardy			073119BH	IT Contractual Wages - July 2019	4,160.14
James R. Hollins			073119JH	IT Contractual Wages - July 2019	4,005.33
Raymond R. Tchou			073119RT	IT Contractual Wages - July 2019	6,572.21
Venkat Rallapalli / Highbrow Systems, Inc.			073119VR	IT Contractual Wages - July 2019	3,121.62
			<b>Cash Account/Payment Method Total:</b>	<b>9 Documents</b>	<b>11,667,557.48</b>
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<b>Vendor Name</b>			<b>Invoice Number</b>	<b>Invoice Description</b>	<b>Amount To Pay</b>
500 WEBWARD LLC			84339	July 2019 Rent	25,650.94
500 WEBWARD LLC			85745	Conference Room/Waiting Room Bulb Replacement	26.40
500 WEBWARD LLC			Aug2019	August 2019 Rent	26,050.94
8x8, INC.			2420925	Phone System Services	1,393.32
ADP, INC			539185707	Check Printing Services	585.80
ADVENT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC			2Q19	Management Fees 2nd Qtr '19	75,205.59
American Realty Advisors (ARA)			7141	Management Fees 2nd Qtr '19	10,000.00
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc			190630-4690-A	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '19	26,299.68
BLOOMBERG FINANCE LP			5605054845	Bloomberg Anywhere 7/21/19-10/20/19	5,767.50
CDW GOVERNMENT			PXN7336	Computer Equipment	16.99
EARNEST PARTNERS, LLC			2Q19DETGRS	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '19	38,465.42
EARNEST PARTNERS, LLC			2Q19DETINTRL	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '19	221,687.21
EDGEWOOD MANAGEMENT LLC			3991009	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '19	135,881.76
FRANK RUSSELL COMPANY			1652017746	Russell Indexes Standard Service 4/1/19-6/30/19	125.00
GABRIEL, ROEDER, SMITH & CO			448372	EDRO Calculations for Henry Foutner	1,350.00



**Re: Fees and Expenses (Continued)**

Vendor Name	Invoice Number	Invoice Description	Amount To Pay
GABRIEL, ROEDER, SMITH & CO	448373	EDRO Calculations for Michael McElgunn	1,350.00
GABRIEL, ROEDER, SMITH & CO	448374	EDRO Calculations for Dwayne McClain	1,350.00
JP MORGAN INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	20190630-1226-A	Management Fees 2nd Qtr '19	100,678.50
Manulife Asset Management U.S., LLC	0000001193	Management Fees 2nd Qtr '19	46,549.03
MONDRIAN INVESTMENT PARTNERS	230273	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '19	124,072.71
Office of the Chief Financial Officer	1048974	Wages & Benefits for City of Detroit Employees June 21	170,310.85
PIEDMONT INVESTMENT ADVISORS,LLC	INV12185	Management Fees 2nd Qtr '19	19,306.40
Premier Parking (fka Ultimate Parking)	187446	Parking - August 2019	2,112.00
SSI INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	002019-0171	Management Fees 2nd Qtr '19	54,313.00
THE TOWNSEND GROUP	US201-0000252	Professional Services - June 2019	9,562.50
WESTFIELD CAPITAL MANAGEMENT	20190630-107-123-A	Management Fees 2nd Qtr '19	100,953.72
<b>Cash Account/Payment Method Total:</b>		<b>26 Documents</b>	<b>1,199,065.26</b>

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Vendor Name	Invoice Number	Invoice Description	Amount To Pay
ALLEGRA	65075011	GRS Tri-Fold Brochures	288.85
CHRYSALIS CONSULTING, LLC	28321	Consulting Services 6/1/19-6/30/19	1,345.62
COMCAST	071719	High Speed Internet	180.21
CRAIN'S DETROIT BUSINESS	071519DC	Classic Member Subscription	29.50
CRAIN'S DETROIT BUSINESS	072319SB	Subscription Renewal	94.00
DEROY & DEVEREAUX	2Q19	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '19	27,448.00
DIRECTV	36521551807	Service Charges 7/23/19-8/22/19	39.12
FEDEX	6-602-03019	FedEx Mailing	26.07
FEDEX	6-608-19062	FedEx Mailing	26.14
FEDEX	6-615-39220	FedEx Mailing	26.20
First CHOICE Coffee Services	631935	Coffee Supplies	138.73
First CHOICE Coffee Services	633208	Equipment Rental	30.00
IRON MOUNTAIN	159897	Data Domain Service	3,637.95
Iron Mountain Records Management	BTWZ214	Records Storage	2,034.60
METCOM	R-16316	Spirit Business Card Master Run	171.57
NASDAQ CORPORATION SOLUTIONS, LLC	0719NOCS190610	Nasdaq Boardvantage User Licenses 4/22/19-4/21/20	7,837.50
NASDAQ CORPORATION SOLUTIONS, LLC	0719NOCS193929	Nasdaq Boardvantage - Implementation Fee Rebill	1,250.00
NEPC, LLC	12M18391	Expenses - 4th Qtr '18	2,849.79
NEPC, LLC	3M19391	Expenses - 1st Qtr '19	1,793.48
QUILL CORPORATION	8371230	Office Supplies	35.98

Vendor Name	Invoice Number	Invoice Description	Amount To Pay
QUILL CORPORATION	8374899	Office Supplies	176.30
QUILL CORPORATION	8403254	Office Supplies	8.74
QUILL CORPORATION	8428535	Office Supplies	16.49
QUILL CORPORATION	8460259	Office Supplies	22.99
QUILL CORPORATION	8748139	Office Supplies	108.33
SHRED-IT USA	8127751899	Shredding Service Charges	99.45
THOMAS SHEEHAN	071719TS	Trustee Parking	100.00
TRUSCOTT ROSSMAN GROUP LLC	INV-3798	Public Relations	2,160.00
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FINANCIAL SVCS	102294898	Ricoh Printer Maintenance	129.10
XEROX	097528406	Printer Maintenance	47.73
<b>Cash Account/Payment Method Total:</b>		<b>30 Documents</b>	<b>52,152.44</b>

\* Payment amount is estimated based on the effective date 8/5/2019

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**Re: Refunds of Accumulated Contributions (Annuity Savings Fund)**

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Cowan

**RESOLVED**, that the contributions to the Annuity Savings Fund by members of the General Retirement System, as set forth:

**List No. 7423 - \$222,359.92**

**List No. 7424 - \$83,262.84**

**List No. 7425 - \$353,815.95**

Including interest, be **REFUNDED**, pending audit by the Retirement Systems' Accounting Staff.

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**Re: Employee Loan Program July 24, 2019**

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Cowan

**RESOLVED**, that the disbursements for the Employee Loan Program by members of the General Retirement System, as set forth in the amount of: **\$37,456.00** including interest, be hereby **APPROVED**.

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**Re: Employee Loan Program July 31, 2019**

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Cowan

**RESOLVED**, that the disbursements for the Employee Loan Program by members of the General Retirement System, as set forth in the amount of: **\$14,470.00** including interest, be hereby **APPROVED**.

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**Re: Minutes/Journal No. 4237 – (07/03/19)**

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Perkins

**RESOLVED**, that the Minutes/Journal of Proceedings of the General Retirement System of the City of Detroit, of Meeting **No. 4237**, held on **July 03, 2019**, be hereby **APPROVED** as recorded and submitted.

Yeas: Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Perkins, Sheehan and Chairperson Nickleberry– 6

Nays: None

**ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Assistant Executive Director, **Gail A. Oxendine**, who was excused from the proceedings of August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, provided her written report to the Board of Trustees:

**Department/Division Presentations**

Upcoming presentations scheduled for:

- Police – Office of the Chief Investigator – August 14, 2019
- DDOT – ATU – August 24, 2019

***Presentations for DDOT (3 locations) completed and well received.***

**Retiree Assistance**

After research on possible services, we recommend providing the flyer (found in your board meeting packets) which lists contact information for medical, community and social services, which are low/no cost. Flyers will be available in the lobby and posted on the website.

**Motley Rice**

Meredith Weatherby from Motley Rice asked to present at the October 16, 2019 meeting regarding securities litigation. Please advise if Trustees are interested.

**Trustee Sheehan motioned to accept the Assistant Executive Director's Report; Trustee Perkins supported.**

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director, **David Cetlinski**, who was excused from the proceedings of August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, provided his written report to the Board of Trustees:

### **Retiree Assistance**

In regards to the request to find some alternative ways to help retired members of the system we have concluded that the only feasible and fiduciary responsible way to handle this is to provide members with information on the no cost options. Gail will present what we have come up with and I concur with what she will be presenting.

**Trustee Sheehan motioned to accept the Executive Director's Report; Trustee Perkins supported.**

- ***Trustee John Naglick entered the Boardroom at 10:11 a.m.***
- ***Trustee Kimberly Hall-Wagner entered the Boardroom at 10:14 a.m.***
- ***Trustee Wendell Anthony entered the Boardroom at 10:20 a.m.***

## **CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT**

Chief Investment Officer, Ryan Bigelow, had no formal report, **but** discussed the following matters with the Board:

- Deputy-Chief Investment Officer Kevin Kenneally is out of the office this week for medical concerns
- Investment Analyst Kristi Grden is on vacation this week and has also submitted a letter of resignation to the System
- Meeting with Lou Vogt and the Gateway group re-cap;
  - Lou Vogt will be in attendance at the next Board meeting and Townsend may be in attendance as well
- Fort Shelby and Book Cadillac update
- Mr. Bigelow will provide a written report/update on all site visits by the next Board meeting

**GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

General Counsel Michael VanOverbeke, recommended that the Board go into closed session:

**Re: Entering into Closed Session**

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Sheehan – Supported By: Trustee Cowan

**WHEREAS**, the Retirement System is subject to the limitation of the Open Meetings Act (“OMA”) being MCL 15.261et seq. and has adopted a resolution on October 24, 2012 relative thereto; **THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board enter into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation matters with the Board’s General Counsel regarding pending litigation with respect to the following: Joseph Capozzoli; Capozzoli Advisors for Pensions Bankruptcy.

A Roll Call Vote was taken as follows:

Yeas: Anthony, Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Naglick, Perkins, Sheehan  
and Chairperson Nickleberry– 8

Nays: None

The Board entered into Closed Session at 10:26 a.m.

- ***Lamonica Arrington-Cabean excused herself from the Boardroom at 10:38 a.m. and returned at 11:15 a.m.***

**Re: Open Session**

Motion By: Trustee Sheehan – Supported By: Trustee Anthony

**RESOLVED**, that the Board come out of Closed Session.

The Board returned to **Open Session** at 11:25 a.m.

**GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT- continued**

**Re: Capozzoli Advisory For Pensions/Joe Capozzoli/Pamela Capozzoli/ Workforce Trust**

Motion By: Trustee Naglick – Supported By: Trustee Sheehan

**WHEREAS**, A written legal report was received from Special Legal Counsel, Racine & Associates which was reviewed and discussed in closed session on the status of the legal proceedings relating to bankruptcy filings by Mr. Capozzoli and Mrs. Capozzoli (now known as Pamela Spurgeon) and

**WHEREAS**, Special Legal Counsel has requested that the Board authorize, ratify and approve the actions of Special Legal Counsel since the last legal report to the Board by Special Legal Counsel and as recommended and discussed with in Closed Session and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has discussed this matter, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes, ratifies and approves the actions of Special Legal Counsel since the last Legal report to the Board by Special Legal Counsel and as recommended in the written legal report, as discussed in Closed Session and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be immediately forwarded to Racine & Associates (Attention: Marie T. Racine), 1001 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1100, Detroit Michigan 48226.

Yeas: Anthony, Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Naglick, Perkins, Sheehan  
and Chairperson Nickleberry– 8

Nays: None

**GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT- continued**

**RE: Bankruptcy and ASF Recoupment Issue**

This office has discussed with RSCD staff challenges that have been received to the ASF recoupment. This office recommends retaining Shannon Deeby of Clark Hill as Bankruptcy Special Counsel to address this matter. Both the Police and Fire Retirement System and the General Retirement System had previously retained Ms. Deeby to represent the Retirement Systems in the City's bankruptcy. She is familiar with both the City's bankruptcy proceedings as well as the ASF recoupment provisions.

**RE: Joseph Lebert Burson v. Tina Louise Burson  
Macomb County Circuit Court Case No. 18-0241-DM**

This office is in receipt of an entered EDRO in this matter. We have reviewed the entered Order and have certified that it complies with applicable law and plan provisions and have prepared a resolution for the Board's adoption.

**RE: Carpenters' Pension Trust Fund v. Cadillac Funding Associates, et al.  
Oakland County Circuit Court Case No. 19-174796-CB**

Both the General Retirement System and the Police and Fire Retirement System received subpoenas from parties who have initiated new litigation regarding the Westin Book-Cadillac requesting certain documents from the Retirement Systems generally related to the settlement of the Retirement System's prior litigation. This office directed Special Legal Counsel Don Wagner, who originally handled this matter, to review the subpoena and provide an appropriate response. Mr. Wagner has advised that the Subpoenas are overly broad and objectionable on their face. There are some documents in their files that are responsive and non-privileged and will be produced. However, Special Counsel will also prepare a written Objection as to the rest of the potentially responsive documents, pursuant to MCR 2.305(B) that the subpoena is overly broad, unduly burdensome, calls for documents already in the party's possession, and calls for attorney-client privileged communication and privileged work product (including expert reports). Accordingly, there is not a need for the Board to search for responsive documents at this time, though the Board should be prepared to do so quickly if ordered. General Counsel will provide an update regarding this matter at today's meeting

**GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT- continued**

**Re: Bankruptcy Special Counsel Engagement:** Thomas Sheehan moved to approve the retention of Bankruptcy Special Counsel as recommended by General Counsel. John Naglick supported. The motion passed unanimously.

**Re: Joseph Lebert Burson v. Tina Louise Burson  
Macomb County Circuit Court Case No. 18-0241-DM**

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Sheehan - Supported By: Trustee Perkins

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees is in receipt of an Eligible Domestic Relations Order ("EDRO"), dated June 11, 2019, wherein Tina Louise Burson, the Alternate Payee, is awarded certain rights to the retirement allowance of Joseph Lebert Burson, the Participant, and

**WHEREAS**, the Retirement System consists of both a defined benefit plan and a defined contribution (a/k/a the Annuity Savings Fund) plan, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the EDRO, the Alternate Payee is entitled to a portion of both the Participant's defined benefit plan and defined contribution plan benefits payable from the Retirement System which has accrued in both the Legacy Plan and the Hybrid Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the payments from the plan to the Alternate Payee shall begin when the Participant commences benefits from the Retirement System, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board's policy is to require that the cost for the actuary's calculations are to be borne by the parties to the domestic relations proceedings and the parties' EDRO provides that the parties are to proportionally share responsibility for any and all additional costs for actuarial services, and

**WHEREAS**, said matter had been discussed with legal counsel who has opined that the applicable terms of said court order are consistent with the provisions of the Retirement System and applicable law including Public Act 46 of 1991 (MCLA 38.1701) as amended, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Board acknowledges receipt of said court order, will pay pension benefits consistent with said order upon application by the Participant, and further

**RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be immediately attached as the top sheet of the pension file and other appropriate records be kept for the Retirement System relative to this matter, and further

**RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to Joseph Lebert Burson, the Participant; Mark J. Makoski, Esq., attorney for the Participant; Tina Louise Burson, the Alternate Payee; James C. Alle, Esq., attorney for the Alternate Payee; and the Board's Actuary.

Yeas: Anthony, Brown, Cowan, Hall-Wagner, Naglick, Perkins, Sheehan,  
and Chairperson Nickleberry- 8

Nays: None



**NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS**

- Trustee Naglick inquired as to when Gabriel, Roeder and Smith will come before the General City Board regarding the funding tool. Trustee Naglick also inquired as to what actions/steps System Staff is taking to correct the inaccurate payroll employee withholding/deductions.
- Trustee Sheehan would like NEPC to forward the new Manager report/listing to the Trustees
  - Kathleen Colin of NASP Detroit thanked the Board of Trustees for their continued support at the Raymond Welborne Memorial Golf Classic and the Cigars and Cognac mixer that was held on Thursday July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**ADJOURNMENT**

***Trustee Cowan moved to adjourn meeting #4239; Trustee Perkins supported.***

There being no further business before the Board, **Chairperson Nickleberry** adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Retirement System's Conference Room; 500 Woodward Avenue Suite 3000; Detroit, Michigan 48226.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



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LAMONICA ARRINGTON-CABEAN, FOR ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR