

**NEW HAVEN CITY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND (CERF)
TRUSTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2022, 8:00 A.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING**

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TRUSTEES PRESENT: Cathy Graves, Trustee
Susan Whetstone, Trustee
Justin Elicker, Mayor, Trustee (joined 8:02am, exit 8:44 AM)
Mark Pietrosimone, Trustee
Mario Zangari, Trustee
Michael Gormany, Acting Controller, Trustee (joined 8:01am)

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Jerome Sagnella, Chairperson, Trustee

ALSO, PRESENT: Leanna Ambersley, Pension Administrator
Taylor Cannon, Payroll/Benefit Auditor
Fayan Robinson-Sims, Payroll/Benefit Auditor
Evonne Duzant, Worker's Compensation Coordinator
Carolyn Kone, Fund Counsel, Brenner, Saltzman & Wallman
Derek Ciampini, Raymond James, Fund Financial Consultant
Wendy Coppola, Raymond James, Fund Financial Consultant
David Moran, Raymond James, Fund Financial Consultant
Gilda Herrera, 3144 Union President
Cherlyn Poindexter, CERF Retiree
Patrick Sampson, AFSCME
Nancy Kulesa, Blechimar Fonti & Auld
Cyril Espanol, With.Intellegiance
Damaris Rivera, Fairview Capital

Trustee Graves commenced the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

ITEM 1: INVESTMENT REPORT:

A. RAYMOND JAMES Presents

ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2022 VIRTUAL MEETING

MOTION: Made by Trustee Pietrosimone to approve the minutes.
MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Whetstone
MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

ITEM 3: ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

A. BLEICHMAR FONTI & AULD Presents: Nancy Kulesa

ITEM 4: AGE ANNUITY/ RULE OF 80 /EARLY RETIREMENT – Information Only

A. Blanche Harris

Position: Clerical	Department: BOE
Date of Birth: 01/27/1940	BU: 884
Participation Date: 08/13/1990	Retirement Date: 09/17/2022

ITEM 5: CONTRIBUTION WITHDRAWALS – INFORMATION ONLY

A. Jesenia Newton-Lewis

Department: Police Records	BU: 884
Participation date: 09/21/2015	Termination date: 09/23/2022
Withdrawal date: 10/05/2022	

B. Eric Valli

Department: IT	BU: 3144
Participation date: 12/12/2012	Termination date: 05/13/2022
Withdrawal date: 10/05/2022	

C. Natasha Verab

Department: BOE	BU: 884
Participation date: 08/31/2016	Termination date: 09/16/2022
Withdrawal date: 10/05/2022	

ITEM 6: DISABILITY RETIREMENT RE-EXAMINATIONS

The Pension Act covering the CERF vests the board the authority to re-examine members of the Fund retired on a disability retirement three (3) times over a five (5) year period from date of retirement. The Retirement Board requires that each member retired for a disability be re-examined by one of the Boards medical examiners.

Pamela McCain: (3rd re-exam)

Date of Employment: 12/03/2001 Date of Retirement: 05/17/2017
Position at Retirement: 911/Dispatcher

MOTION: Made by Trustee Pietrosimone to approve.
MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Whetstone
MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

ITEM 7: SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY RETIREMENT:

This applicant has submitted a service-connected disability application which has been pending receipt of medical records from Yale Occupational. Service-Connected Disability and Non-Service-Connected Disability retirement applications require trustee review of medical records, discretion, deliberation, and vote.

James Stephens

Hired: 09/04/2012

Retired: PENDING

Position: Refuse Laborer

MOTION: Made by Trustee Pietrosimone to approve.

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Whetstone

MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

ITEM 8: PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: (See Attached Itemization)

MOTION: Made by Trustee Pietrosimone to approve the payment of the bills.

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Zangari

DISCUSSION: Made my Trustee Pietrosimone to correct the BSW bill to remove the P&F task

MOTION: Made by Trustee Pietrosimone to approve the payment of the bills with correction to the BSW bill.

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Zangari

MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

ITEM 9: OLD BUSINESS:

ITEM 10: NEW BUSINESS: Cherlyn Poindexter asked to speak on a recent ordinance from the Board of Alders that will be going to the Mayor for approval regarding Exec management employees and the pension fund. She will be sending a letter with further details of her request.

ITEM 11: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Made by Trustee Gormany to adjourn

MOTION SECONDED: by Trustee Zangari

MOTION CARRIED: by unanimous vote

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 A.M.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

November 16, 2022

8:00 a.m.

ITEM 8: ITEMIZED BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

A) LEGAL EXPENSES:

BRENNER, SALTZMAN & WALLMAN LLP- PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: SEPTEMBER 2022 #69568	\$6,000.00
Total Legal Expenses	\$6,000.00

B). INVESTMENT EXPENSES:

First State Trust Company – 07/01/2022 – 09/30/2022	\$7,844.01
Total Investment Expenses	\$7,844.01

Total Expenses	\$13,844.01
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ATTEST:



Michael Gormany, Acting Controller, CERF Trustee