

Rochelle Fire Department Pension Meeting
Fire Department Basement
Thursday, November 14th, 2013
1:30 pm

Minutes

1. Call to Order
Call to order at 1:33pm
2. Roll Call
Board members present – Robert Workman, Zach Prewett, Arlen Harms, Sue Messer, and Lynette Fischer
Others Present – Attorney Brian Labardi, Treasurer Chris Frye
3. Approval of Minutes
Minutes from October 29, 2013 meeting presented. IPPFA check amount amended. Motion to accept as amended by Sue Messer and 2nd by Lynette Fischer. All in favor and the motion passed.
4. Public Comments
None
5. Treasurer's Report
Presented by Chris Frye. Total asset value of \$7,705,052.96. Motion to accept by Zach Prewett and 2nd by Lynette Fischer. All in favor and the motion passed.
6. Investment Report
None
7. Reallocation, distribution, and/or sale of fund assets
Rob Workman presented information on indexed versus managed mutual funds. He explained that the advantage to indexed funds being overall return over the long term. He presented information on a Blackrock index fund available through Edward Jones. The board discussed investing in different types of funds. The group discussed the possibility of a third-party audit of the fund to suggest different strategies. Sue Messer and Lynette Fischer stated that the Police Pension Fund Board had met with an NIU professor when they were considering different investment possibilities.
8. Attorney's Report
None
9. Communications
Invitation to the Reimer & Karlson Christmas Party
10. Approval of Disbursements
None
11. Applications for Membership
None
12. Applications for Benefits
None
13. Applications for Refund
None
14. Old Business
 - Tax Levy Recommendation to the City of Rochelle - Board discussed the assumptions used by Tim Sharpe and the Department of Insurance. Board had previously agreed to assume an interest return of 6.5% and salary increase of 5.5%. The City of Rochelle

intends to use LNA Actuarial Service for a 3rd report. Board discussed the tax levy recommendation to be presented to the City Council. Brian Labardi explained the actuarial report data and discussed different methods and mortality tables.

Motion to recommend an amount of \$289,936.00 based on Tim Sharpe's actuarial report made by Zach Prewett and 2nd by Rob Workman. Arlen Harms – yes, Lynette Fischer – yes, Sue Messer – yes.

- Municipal Compliance Report – Presented by Chris Frye. She stated she would make the appropriate changes to the tax levy recommendation. Motion to accept made by Lynette Fischer and 2nd by Zach Prewett. Arlen Harms – yes, Sue Messer – yes, Rob Workman – yes.
- 2014 Pension Meeting Dates – Dates of 1/31, 4/30, 7/31, and 10/30 presented by Rob Workman. All meetings to be held at 1:30pm in the Fire Department basement. Motion to accept made by Arlen Harms and 2nd by Lynette Fischer. All in favor and motion passed.

15. New Business

- Participation in the Coalition for Qualified Plan Status – Brian Labardi explained the purpose of the coalition and the benefits to the Fire Pension Fund. Letter requested \$300 from the Fire Pension Fund. Motion to participate in the coalition by sending \$300 made by Arlen Harms and 2nd by Rob Workman. Zach Prewett – yes, Lynette Fischer – yes, Sue Messer – yes.

16. Executive/Closed Session

None

17. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Lynette Fischer and 2nd by Arlen Harms. All in favor and motion passed.