



FOX LAKE POLICE PENSION FUND
Fox Lake Village Hall – 66 Thillen Drive, Fox Lake, IL 60020
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Friday, September 8, 2023

1. **Meeting Called to Order**

Vice-President Roy Lucke called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Trustee Lucke gave a brief history of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Roll Call**

Board Members present were Roy Lucke, Eric Geske, Louis Leny, Bill Monsen and newly elected Rick Howell. Also present: Attorney Laura Goodloe, and Recording Secretary Carol McMullen.

At this time Attorney Goodloe requested that the board discuss Trustee Terms and Training Status to ensure that everyone voting today is capable of taking formal action. Based on 40 ILCS 5/1-109. 3(d), and upon legal counsel's advice, Trustee Lucke stepped down from his position on the board due to his failure to undergo his required sixteen hours. Attorney Goodloe will reach out to the mayor to respectfully request a replacement for the remainder of his appointment term. The Board had a discussion as to the training status of all Trustees.

At this point in the meeting, until the election of slate of officers, Attorney Goodloe will run the meeting.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

The approval of the minutes from the 04-17-2023 Gliniewicz closed session meeting is tabled.

5. **Public Comments** - None at this time

6. **Business**

Special Election Results - A Special Election was held to fill the position vacated by Cody Barker. Nomination letters were distributed and nominations were received for Reid Dawson, Christopher Dudek, Richard Howell, Joshua Lisenby and Joshua Maas. Ballots were sent out with Richard Howell receiving 9 votes, Joshua Lisenby 5 votes, Reid Dawson 3 votes, Christopher Dudek 1 vote and Joshua Maas no votes. Richard Howell is elected and

will complete the term serving through 04-30-2025. All ballots were present for the Trustees to review. A Public Notice was prepared and posted on 09-05-2023 announcing the results of this election. A letter was sent to Rick Howell explaining the Trustee training obligations.

A motion was made by Louis Leny to certify the Special Election results; second by Eric Geske. All Ayes; motion carried.

Roy Lucke thanked Eric Geske for all the work he did during the Special Election.

Trustee Terms/Board Officer Position Vote/Training Status - Attorney Goodloe stated that pursuant to 40 ILCS 5/3-128 of the Pension Code, 5 members shall constitute a Board of Trustees, two active, one retiree and two municipal appointments. Pursuant to 40 ILCS 5/3-130 of the Pension Code, at the July meeting the Board shall select from its members a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Assistant Secretary to serve for one year.

Due to the vacancy and Special Election, the Board will re-slate the Board today. Nominations were received to elect Eric Geske as President, Bill Monsen as Vice-President, Louis Leny as Secretary and Rick Howell as Assistant Secretary.

A motion was made by Eric Geske to accept the slate presented; Eric Geske as President, Bill Monsen as Vice-President, Louis Leny as Secretary and Rick Howell as Assistant Secretary; second by Louis Leny. Roll call vote taken: Eric Geske - Aye. Louis Leny - Aye. Bill Monsen - Aye. Rick Howell - Aye. Motion carried.

At this point in the meeting, Board President Eric Geske began to run the meeting.

Affidavits of Eligibility - Second notices were sent to Bostic, Lewis, Micic, Hoyne and Megan Kinsler. There was a question on two Affidavits for Good and Micic; the pension files will be checked to see if they were returned. Megan Kinsler has not responded to the affidavit; she is living out-of-state. Attorney Goodloe will reach out to her via email. This is tabled.

William J. Golden Pension Benefit Calculations - He was a Tier I Patrol Officer, DOH 11-15-1999, last day worked 08-01-2023. Benefits were calculated by Lauterbach & Amen. He will receive a prorated benefit on 08-02-2023 of \$5,232.07 and full benefits begin 09-01-2023 in the amount of \$5,406.47.

A motion was made by Louis Leny to approve the pension benefits as calculated by Lauterbach & Amen; second by Bill Monsen. Roll call vote taken: Eric Geske - Aye. Louis Leny - Aye. Bill Monsen - Aye. Rick Howell - Aye. Motion carried.

Megan Kinsler - Survivors Pension Application and Pension Benefit Calculations - Megan Cochran-Kinsler provided a Surviving Spouse Pension Application, her marriage certificate and death certificate. Her date of birth is 1958. Pension Benefits were calculated by Lauterbach & Amen showing that spousal benefits began 05-01-2023 in the amount of \$2,565.87.

A motion was made by Bill Monsen to accept the Survivors Pension Application of Megan Cochran-Kinsler and approve the pension benefits as calculated by Lauterbach & Amen; second by Louis Leny. Roll call vote taken: Eric Geske - Aye. Louis Leny - Aye. Bill Monsen - Aye. Rick Howell - Aye. Motion carried.

Gliniewicz Survivors Pension Matter - Board President Eric Geske made a finding that litigation is probable and imminent with respect to the Gliniewicz matter.

In accordance with this finding, pursuant to Section 2(c)11 of the Open Meetings Act, a motion was made by Eric Geske at 9:58 a.m., to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss the pending Gliniewicz Survivors Pension matter; second by Bill Monsen. All Ayes; motion carried.

A motion was made to return to regular session by Eric Geske at 10:54 a.m.; second by lo Leny. All Ayes; motion carried.

Secretarial Position – Carol prepared a brief job description for the Board to provide to the public; she was informed that there may be a retired woman living at Leisure Village who is interested in secretarial work. The Board discussed the proposal for PSA services provided by Lauterbach & Amen. The Board discussed the job description and the possibility of Carol staying on with the Board, continuing to take minutes on zoom and coming in as needed to work on the files, offering her an increase in salary. After discussions with the Board Carol agreed to stay on and would give the Board enough notice if and when she is no longer able to continue in her position.

A motion was made by Louis Leny to retain Carol McMullen's services; to have her participate at meetings via zoom or in-person when possible, and raise her hourly rate by \$5.25; second by Eric Geske. Roll call vote taken: Eric Geske – Aye. Louis Leny – Aye. Bill Monsen – Aye. Rick Howell – Aye. Motion carried.

7. Closed Session

8. Action from Closed Session – No action taken in Closed Session.

9. Adjournment

Trustee Leny informed the Board that he will be unavailable to attend the April 2024 meeting. The Board had a brief discussion regarding training.

The next meeting will be Monday, October 16, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. With no further business, a motion was made by Eric Geske to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m.; second by Bill Monsen. All Ayes; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Geske
President

BY: Carol McMullen
Recording Secretary