

# **Rhode Island Public Transit Authority**

## **Joint Pension Board**

### **Minutes of the September 28, 2009 Meeting**

**Joint Pension Board Members Present: John Rupp, Chairperson; Stephen Farrell; Edward Field; Rochelle Lee; Christine Johnston; and Kevin Millea.**

**Also Present: Alfred J. Moscola, General Manager; Maureen Neira; Mark Therrien; Victor Santos; Ellen Mandly and members of the RIPTA staff and the general public.**

**Mr. Rupp called the Joint Pension Board meeting to order at 5:25 p.m.**

#### **Agenda Item 1: Approval of Minutes of July 29, 2009 Monthly Meeting**

**Mr. Rupp asked if the JPB members had an opportunity to review the minutes of the July 29, 2009 meeting, and the members indicated that they had.**

**A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Farrell; seconded by Ms. Johnston. The motion passed unanimously.**

## **Agenda Item 2: Convene as Pension Benefit Sub-Committee**

- **Consideration of Benefits' Requests – Division 618/618A**

- o **JPB Action: Osiris Bonilla – Active Employee – Age 63**

**Request for Late Pension effective 9/1/09 - \$362.49**

**Victor Santos discussed the details of the pension request by Ms. Bonilla. Following his comments Mr. Millea moved that the pension request be approved as presented and Mr. Rupp seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

- o **JPB Action: Merrill Winkler - Deceased Employee – Age 90**

**Request for Spousal Pension effective 2/1/09 - \$203.64**

**Mr. Santos discussed the details of the pension request for Merrill Winkler. Following his comments Mr. Rupp moved that the pension request be approved as presented and Mr. Millea seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

- o **JPB Action: Armand Ferrucci – Former Employee – Age 60**

**Request for Regular Pension effective 3/1/09 - \$255.00**

**Victor Santos discussed the details of the pension request by Mr.**

**Ferrucci and following his comments Mr. Millea moved that the pension request be approved as presented. Mr. Rupp seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.**

**o JPB Action: Edward Berube – Former Employee – Age 55  
Request for Early Pension effective 6/1/09 - \$932.95**

**Victor Santos discussed the details of the pension request by Mr. Berube and following comments Mr. Millea moved that the pension request be approved as presented and Mr. Rupp seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**o JPB Action: Patrick King – Former Employee – Age 55  
Request for Early Pension effective 9/1/09 - \$329.73**

**Victor Santos discussed the details of the final pension request by Mr. King and following his comments Mr. Millea moved that the pension request be approved as presented and Mr. Rupp seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Agenda Item 3: RIPTA Employee Pension Plan Amendments**

**At the Authority Board meeting immediately preceding the Joint Pension Board meeting Maureen Neira and Andrew Prescott addressed the employee pension plan amendments. Mr. Prescott explained that during the last two labor negotiations and at various**

**arbitration proceedings amendments to the pension plan have been obtained and have been applied with Board approval as they became effective. He said the final step in the process was to amend the pension plan document to reflect these changes and after discussion the Board unanimously approved the plan amendments.**

**Agenda Item 4: Adjournment**

**Mr. Rupp asked for a motion for adjournment. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Farrell and seconded by Ms. Johnston. Such motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Ellen M. Mandly**

**Recording Secretary**