

## ILLINOIS POLICE OFFICERS' PENSION INVESTMENT FUND

ELECTION COMMITTEE

## MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 9, 2020

A meeting of the Illinois Police Officers' Pension Investment Fund's Election Committee was held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. through the Zoom Digital Platform.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Elizabeth Holleb      Michael Inman      Brian Prochaska

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Richard White, Executive Director  
Rick Reimer, General Counsel, Reimer & Dobrovolny, PC  
Allie Rysell, Plan Administrator, Foster & Foster, Inc.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. White called the meeting to order at 3:17 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** All three committee members were present, as reflected above.

**REVIEW/POSSIBLE ACTION – BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES:** The committee discussed all viable options to obtain contact information for all Article 3 active and beneficiary members for the purposes of conducting the trustee elections. The committee directed Attorney Reimer to contact the Illinois Department of Insurance to inquire if an active and beneficiary member list along with contact information can be provided to the Illinois Police Officers' Pension Investment Fund (IPOPIF) for verification purposes. Attorney Reimer will provide an update to the committee at the next meeting.

Attorney Reimer provided a broad overview of the election process that was established by the Illinois Firefighters' Pension Investment Fund. Mr. White reviewed the "Election Committee Discussion" memo dated June 8, 2020 with the committee. Mr. White posed questions and comments to the committee members for consideration regarding the establishment of a voter database and an election process and strategy. Mr. White invited Foster & Foster to join the conversation to discuss their proposed voter database strategy with the committee. Ms. Rysell provided a brief overview of Foster & Foster's proposed strategy to obtain the required voter contact information needed to conduct the trustee elections. Foster & Foster also noted that they believe that it is in the best interest of the IPOPIF to separately contract with a professional firm that has experience in conducting large-scale elections. Attorney Reimer noted that the committee may want to consider contacting election firms in conjunction with establishing their election rules and regulations. Foster & Foster will share a short list of election firms with Mr. White to review.

Trustee Holleb informed the committee that she is in favor of hiring a third-party vendor to conduct the trustee elections. She believes that a third-party election firm will provide members with

comfort knowing that the election has been conducted by an independent and professional firm. Trustee Holleb would like the committee to consider contacting the local funds directly to request contact information for their active and beneficiary members. She noted that most pension funds will be holding their third quarter meetings in the next couple of months and some funds may prefer to vote on releasing member contact information to the IPOPIF at their meeting.

The committee briefly discussed the process of conducting the elections for the municipal trustees. Attorney Reimer informed the committee that his office was notified that members of the public could not access the meeting to listen or participate. Attorney Reimer advised the committee to cease discussion until a rescheduled meeting is established to ensure all members of the public can participate and listen to the meeting. The committee rescheduled their meeting to Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Trustee Prochaska and seconded by Trustee Holleb to adjourn the meeting at 3:59 p.m. due to the fact that the public inadvertently does not have access to the public meeting. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Approved by:



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Brian Prochaska, Trustee

Date Approved by the Committee: June 15, 2020

*The next meeting of the Illinois Police Officers' Pension Investment Fund will be held on Monday, June 15, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. via the Zoom Digital Platform*