

ARAPAHOE COUNTY BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES
July 27, 2023

Chairman called the meeting to order at 3:06 PM

P = Present in person V = Virtual via Teams A = Absent

Board Members Present

Michael Garnsey - P
 Richard Harris - V
 Darcy Kennedy - A
 Loren Kohler - P
 Michael Westerberg - A

Others Present

Dale Connors, CAPTRUST - P
 Cindy Birley, Davis Graham & Stubbs - P
 Dana Woolfrey, GRS - V
 Corey Reavis, US Bank - P
 John Paul LeChevallier, CLA - P
 Healthier Lin, Finance ACG – P
 Loretta Adams, Finance ACG - P
 Lauren Albanese, Financial News - V
 Kevin Balaod, With Intelligence – V
 Ben Colussy, Plan Administrator - P
 Jolene Duran, Plan Assistant - P

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Mr. Kohler made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Mr. Harris seconded this; Chairman Pro Tem Mr. Garnsey called the vote and the motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approval of Minutes June 29, 2023, Meeting
- B. Professional Services Expenditure Approval:

Vendor	Invoice #	Amount	Purpose
Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP	850825	\$13,569.50	Plan Matters
Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP	850826	\$142.50	Annual Retainer
Clifton Larson Allen, LLP	379261	\$9,250.00	Annual Audit
Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & CO	479573	\$1,200.00	2023 Funding Valuation
LifeStatus360, LLC	20215270	\$850.00	Annual Subscription 5/23-5/24
Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP	851823	\$5,584.50	Plan Matters
Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP	851824	\$1,520.00	Annual Retainer
Davis Graham & Stubbs, LLP	851825	\$1,330.00	Investment Matters
Total Expenditures		\$33,446.50	

- C. Vested/Non-Vested Withdrawals

Number	Reason	Total
5	Retirement	
1	Vested Lump Sum Withdrawal	\$100,000.00
1	Vested Withdrawal	\$36,779.26
16	Non-Vested Withdrawals	\$146,755.99
0	Death	\$0.00
	Total Expenditures	\$283,535.25

1. Clifton Larson Allen – Annual Audit Recap

Mr. LeChevallier reported on the results of the December 2022 audit. It was a clean audit and there was no findings, adjustments or recommendations needed. The market value of asset decreased in 2022 consistent with the performance of the financial markets.

2. GRS – Pension Obligation Bond Memo

Ms. Woolfrey stated it always great to think of all options to assist with funding the retirement plan. In completing her analysis, the results showed this would be a risky gamble. The bond money invested would have to consistently make more money in investments than the bond repayment plus interest to come out ahead. With high interest rates, at this time, it is too risky and not recommended. Mr. Connors commented over the course of his career he did see another plan do a Pension Obligation Bond and unfortunately, they took a huge loss.

Mr. Harris asked Ms. Woolfrey to simplify the memo to limit to 3-4 key bullet highlights on the actuarial recommendation memo to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC). Ms. Woolfrey will resend out to the Retirement Board. Any changes or comments from the board need to be sent to Mr. Harris, Mr. Kohler, and Mr. Connors only. They will compile this information before any further action is to occur.

3. CAPTRUST – June 2023 Performance

Mr. Connors went over the June 2023 portfolio. Stocks and Bonds are up, and the month has done overall well. Year to date return is at 7.0% and rolling off year 2018. Year to date started at \$352 Million and end June with \$374 Million for a gain of \$24 Million so for the year. With interest rates on the rise, real estate continues to struggle this year. August meeting will cover July as well as 2nd Quarter 2023.

4. Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP – Plan Amendment Updates

Ms. Birley went through all the amendment updates in the Arapahoe County Retirement Plan. If the Retirement Board has any questions, they need to direct them to Mr. Harris and Michael Garnsey to compile. At the August meeting all Board Members will have to sign in front of the notary for the amendments to be put in place. Ms. Duran will arrange for the notary at the County to attend the meeting.

5. Finance Report

Mr. Kohler went over the May finance report.

6. Board Member Comments

Mr. Harris deferred to Ms. Birley can a statement be added to the minutes to include recording of the meeting upon request. Question was also raised what is the retention

period to hold recorded meetings? Mr. Colussy will check with the BOCC on their retention period.

7. Plan Administrator Comments

Mr. Colussy will be attending the NASRA conference in the coming days and will provide an update at the next board meeting August 24, 2023.

8. Members – Questions and Comments

None

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Kohler motioned to adjourn, and Mr. Harris seconded the motion. Chairman Pro Tem Mr. Garnsey adjourned the meeting at 4:21 PM.