

**CITY OF SOUTHFIELD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
SOUTHFIELD EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD  
Tuesday, March 23, 2016  
Council Conference Room – Main Municipal Building  
26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, MI**

**MINUTES**

**SERS Board Members Present:** L. Susan Mannisto, Chair; David Hersh; Coretta Houge; Jeannie Jackson (*Telephonically*); Shirley Lightsey; Julius Maisano

**SERS Board Members Absent:** Mark Jubas; James Pierce

**Others Present:** Lauri Siskind, Human Resources Director/SERS Plan Liaison  
Michael VanOverbeke; VanOverbeke, Michaud & Timmony, PC  
Penelope Scharmberg, Administrative Assistant HR/LR/SERS Secretary  
Thomas F. Fleury; Keller Thoma, PC  
David Blakeman, Appellant  
Nancy Kusch, TPOAM Representative  
Mark Pilot, Acting Building Official

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

**AGENDA**

1. *Approval of Agenda.*  
**MOTION #S-16-045**  
Motion by Houge, supported by Lightsey to approve the agenda of the March 23, 2016 SERS Special meeting.  
Motion carried.

**APPLICATIONS FOR RETIREMENT**

1. *Review and approve Application for Early Retirement from Monica Stone, Treasurer's Office, effective June 4, 2016.*  
**MOTION #S-16046-**  
Motion by Houge, supported by Hersh to approve Application for Early Retirement from Monica Stone, Treasurer's Office, effective June 4, 2016.  
Motion carried.
2. *CLOSED SESSION – Disability Retirement*  
**MOTION #S-16-047**  
Motion by Houge, supported by Hersh that pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act the Southfield Employee Retirement System Board Meeting of March 23, 2016, adjourn to a Closed Session for the purpose of considering material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state of federal statute.

A roll call vote was taken.

**YEA:** Houge, Lightsey, Hersh, Maisano, Mannisto, Jackson.

**NAY:** None.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

**ABSENT:** Jubas, Pierce.

Motion carried.

**MOTION #S-16-048**

Motion by Houge, supported by Hersh that the Closed Session of the Southfield Employee Retirement System Board Special Meeting of March 23, 2016, does hereby reconvene to Open Session.

Motion carried.

**MOTION #S-16-049**

Motion by Houge, supported by Hersh to authorize the SERS Administrator to contact the Medical Director and request reexamination of the applicant, providing an evaluation on all independent medical issues as well as the totality of the applicant's condition; and further, render an opinion of duty causation under the Southfield Employee Retirement System Ordinance regulations, on the application for retirement disability from David Blakeman.

Motion carried.

David Blakeman thanked Ms. Siskind for her assistance with assembling the materials necessary to bring to the board.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No meeting attendee wished to make a comment.

**OTHER MATTERS**

- Ms. Houge informed Ms. Siskind she would be attending the MAPERS 2016 Spring Conference Saturday, May 21 - Tuesday, May 24 at Soaring Eagle Resort Hotel, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

**To Do List**

- Service Provider Review – Actuarial RFI (JBP & LS)
- Service Provider Review – Attorney
- Pending Board Policies: (may be part of other policies)
  - Record Retention
  - Proxy Voting/Corporate Governance
  - Ordinance Overlooked Matters

With no further business to come before the board, a motion to adjourn was raised.

**MOTION #S-16-050**

Motion by Houge, supported by Maisano to adjourn the Southfield Employee Retirement System Board's March 23, 2016 Special Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Motion carried.

*Approved this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016  
L. Susan Mannisto, Chair  
Southfield Employee Retirement System Board*