

MASSACHUSETTS REINSURANCE PLAN

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting

Tuesday November 8, 2022

A Meeting of the Investment Committee of the Massachusetts Reinsurance Plan (“MRP”; the “Plan”) was held remotely/in person at 106 Southville Road, Southborough, MA 01772 @ 9:30AM

The following committee members participated remotely:

James R. Bacon, Chairman (*Zoom*)
Richard W. Brewer, Secretary (*Zoom*)
John W. Tympanick, Member (*Zoom*)
Joe R. Zorola, Vice Chairman (*excused*)

The following MRP Staff/Consultants participated:

William T. McGrail, Chairman (*In Person*)
Robin M. Ward-Jackson, Director of Administration (*In Person*)
Eric Piurkowski, CFO, CPA (*Zoom*)
Catherine Powers, Consultant, Prime Buchholz (*Zoom*)
Peter Kiely, Chairman Emeritus, MRP Investment Committee (*Zoom*)
Matthew Mancini, Esq., DOI (*Zoom*)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bacon at 9:30AM. Ms. Ward-Jackson kept a record of the proceedings.

2. Quorum and Notices

Mr. Bacon stated that all members were participating remotely, and a quorum was met. This would be a roll call vote meeting.

Mr. Bacon noted that the required notices for the meeting had been sent to the Secretary of State, Executive Office of the Administration and Finance, and the Division of Insurance, and placed on the MRP's website.

3. Approval of minutes from August 12, 2022 Investment Committee meeting

A *motion* was made by Mr. Brewer to approve the minutes from the August 12, 2022 meeting as presented, Mr. Tympanick seconded the motion; it passed with three votes.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Bacon – yes

Mr. Brewer – yes

Mr. Tympanick – yes

Mr. Zorola – abstained

4. Financial Status of the Plan – Eric Piurkowski, CFO CPA

Mr. Piurkowski reviewed his Investment Portfolio Breakdown as of 09/30/2022; a copy of which is included within these minutes. He began by stating that there is \$1.8M in cash & cash equivalents. Mr. Piurkowski continued stating that fixed income is \$12.9M

or 66.2%; bonds \$11.1M and equities \$6.6M, total assets are \$19.5M. Mr. Piurkowski stated that case reserves are at \$3.7M with a surplus of \$9.2M.

5. Market & Portfolio update– Prime Buchholz

Ms. Powers began reviewing Primes quarterly investment meeting materials; a copy of which is included within these minutes. Ms. Powers stated that markets struggled across the board in September due to continued macroeconomic concerns and recessionary fears. She stated all sectors declined in September and that energy was the only sector positive year-to-date. Ms. Powers continued by stating that the portfolio declined further versus August, but four of the Flexible Capital allocations have mitigated unrealized losses. Ms. Powers reviewed the performance and discussed rebalancing from the prior meeting; noting that \$500K would be available from Clinton Savings Bank. A discussion ensued and it was decided to invest \$100K to Vanguard Growth fund; \$100K to Cohen & Steers Preferred Income Fund and \$300K to bonds.

A *motion* was made by Mr. Tympanick to transfer \$500K from the Clinton Savings Bank and invest \$100K to the Vanguard Growth fund; \$100K to Cohen & Steers Preferred Income Fund and \$300K to Income Research Management (Bonds); Mr. Brewer seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tympanick – yes

Mr. Brewer- yes

Mr. Zorola – yes

Mr. Bacon - yes

Mr. Kiely expressed the view that if the profile of Congress and State Elections as expected occurs, it will be a positive for the private sector and markets.

6. Other Business

There being no other business to come before the committee.

7. Public Comment

There being no public comment to come before the committee.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Brewer made a *motion* to adjourn the Investment Committee meeting @ 10:18AM, Mr. Zorola seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Bacon – yes

Mr. Brewer – yes

Mr. Tympanick – yes

Mr. Zorola – yes

A true record transcribed by Robin Ward-Jackson on December 12, 2022



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