# VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS HAZARDOUS PENSION FUND AND VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS GENERAL EMPLOYEES' PENSION FUND MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING HELD May 29, 2007

A joint meeting was called to order at 3:05 P.M. at the Council Chambers on the First Floor at Village Hall in Palm Springs, Florida. Those persons present were:

#### TRUSTEES

Randy Hoffer Phil Englert Tim Conboy James Gregory

# <u>OTHERS</u>

Bonni Jensen, Hanson, Perry & Jensen, Attorney Margie Adcock, Pension Resource Center

Virginia Walton Rebecca Morse (3:23 P.M.) Patti Waller Butch Cooper Phil Ralya

#### **MINUTES**

The General Employees' Board reviewed the minutes of the joint meeting held May 1, 2007. A motion was made, seconded and carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the joint meeting held May 1, 2007.

The Hazardous Board reviewed the minutes of the joint meeting held May 1, 2007. A motion was made, seconded and carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the joint meeting held May 1, 2007.

## **DISCUSSION ON PRESENTATIONS BY INVESTMENT MONITORS**

The Boards discussed the investment monitors that made presentations on May 1, 2007. The Boards inquired if they would be able to retain Ernie Mahler with Smith Barney as Mr. Mahler indicated in his presentation that he could continue his services at the old rate for the time being. Ms. Jensen noted that ultimately Smith Barney will make the Boards renegotiate the contracts and a fee increase will be confronted at that time. Additionally she noted that the fiduciary liability of Smith Barney will become an issue at that point. Ms. Jensen stated that the Boards needed to do a search due to the issues with Smith Barney and Delray Beach. She noted that there is an informal investigation by the SEC into Smith Barney. She stated that the Boards need to make a record of what the Boards have done to fulfill their fiduciary duties. She noted that Mr. Maher has stated to the Boards that he cannot guarantee the numbers he is presenting are correct. If he is unable to obtain the information from his own company, how can the Boards. There was a discussion on how often the Boards need to have an investment performance evaluation.

Ms. Jensen responded that the General Employees' Board does not need one and the Hazardous Board needs one every three years. However, it was noted that most all Florida public pension plans have a regular investment monitor. Mr. Cooper stated that he thought it would be more cost effective to hire a different monitor each time an investment performance evaluation was needed rather than hiring one firm.

Rebecca Morse entered the meeting.

There was further discussion. With respect to the General Employees' Board a motion was made, seconded and carried 4-1 to authorize the Attorney to negotiate a contract with Bogdahn Consulting. Butch Cooper opposed the motion. With respect to the Hazardous Board a motion was made, seconded and carried 4-0 to authorize the Attorney to negotiate a contract with Bogdahn Consulting.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

There being no further business, the joint meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Ralya, Secretary (General Employees)