

PENSION INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Mt. Lebanon, PA Pension Investment Advisory Board (PIAB) was held in Room D of the Municipal Building with a virtual Zoom connection at 9:00 am on November 16, 2023.

In attendance were Board members John Kerber, Chris Wiles, Ron Yost, Advisor Perry Giovannelli (PFM), Commissioner Andrew Flynn and Staff member Andrew McCreery.

John Kerber moved to approve the minutes from August 15, 2023. Ron Yost seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Giovannelli updated the Board on the results of 3rd quarter 2023.

- Market conditions
 - Russell 3000 index down 3.25%
 - MSCI AC World ex USA index down 3.77%
 - Bloomberg Aggregate index down 3.23%
 - Fed rate changes are still impacting the market
 - Inflation has crept up to 3.7% year over year
 - GDP came in at 2% which was on target
 - Labor Force Participation Rate is increasing
 - PFM is neutral on inflation
 - PFM political risk concerns are high
 - Due to current climate, PFM is staying neutral to the benchmarks in the Investment Policy Statement
- Plan Returns
 - Discussion of the "elite" 8 companies driving returns in the equity market
 - Plan returns are up 4.83%-4.97%
 - Plans are trailing the benchmarks due to the active managers not being overweighted in the "elite" 8 companies and lower weighting in energy markets.
 - In August 2023 PFM made a move to invest in an ETF ex-China. PFM sees this investment as a long play.
 - Discussion ensued about the weighting of the portfolio and the attribution analysis.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:40 am.