

President's Message

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It has been a while since my last message. At that time, I reported that I had sent an e-mail complaining that the City was not holding up their agreements to make the Pension Board minutes more available to retirees, to post meeting announcements and to be more transparent with their information.

The Manager's Office did reply to my complaints and they admit that they have not been updating the web site and they were working to resolve that issue. The last meetings were cancelled because Board members were not available to meet and they intend to do a better job of notifying interested parties of meetings and changes to meetings. The proof is in the results and we are going to stay involved, and hopefully they will resolve these issues.

I did attend the meeting last week. They reported that they had resolved some issues for some retirees who had questioned their benefit. They also reported that there are still some retirees who have not returned payments that were paid in error. The board voted to send those individuals letters asking for payment. The City Attorney was at the meeting and reported that the City Attorney was prepared to send the matter for collection. No names or amounts owed were discussed so if any retirees get letters you might want to contact the Board.

All of the Rosters have been mailed. If you don't have your roster let us know so we can get it to you ASAP. The dinner at White Fence Farm last week was a success. Thanks to Roger Barker and Dave Metzler for getting the spacious accommodations for what was a good night for visiting and fellowship. Thanks to the Credit Union for the door prizes. If you were unable to attend we will see you at the May Dinner, TBA.

We are going to continue to stay abreast of those issues that affect us. If there is anything we can do for you please let us know and we will do our best to help.