

# Pension Plan of Town of West Warwick

July 1, 2020 Actuarial Valuation Report

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#### **Actuarial Certification**

At the request of the plan sponsor, this report summarizes the actuarial results of the Pension Plan of Town of West Warwick as of July 1, 2020. The purpose of this report is to communicate the following results of the valuation:

- · Funded Status;
- and Determine Actuarial Recommended Contribution for plan year ending June 30, 2022;

This report has been prepared in accordance with the applicable Federal and State laws. Consequently, it may not be appropriate for other purposes. Please contact Nyhart prior to disclosing this report to any other party or relying on its content for any purpose other than that explained above. Failure to do so may result in misrepresentation or misinterpretation of this report.

The results in this report were prepared using information provided to us by other parties. The census and asset information has been provided to us by the employer. We have reviewed the provided data for reasonableness when compared to prior information provided, but have not audited the data. Where relevant data may be missing, we have made assumptions we believe to be reasonable. We are not aware of any significant issues with and have relied on the data provided. Any errors in the data provided may result in a different result than those provided in this report. A summary of the data used in the valuation is included in this report.

The actuarial assumptions and methods were chosen by the employer. In our opinion, all actuarial assumptions and methods are individually reasonable and in combination represent our best estimate of anticipated experience of the plan. Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following:

- plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions;
- changes in economic or demographic assumptions;
- increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period); and
- changes in plan provisions or applicable law.

We did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements due to the limited scope of our engagement. This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practice.

Neither Nyhart nor any of its employees have any relationship with the plan or its sponsor which could impair or appear to impair the objectivity of this report. To the extent that this report or any attachment concerns tax matters, it is not intended to be used and cannot be used by a taxpayer for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed by law.



#### **Actuarial Certification**

The undersigned are compliant with the continuing education requirements of the Qualification Standards for Actuaries Issuing Statements of Actuarial Opinion in the United States and are available for any questions.

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The actuarial report provides the plan sponsor with several ways to measure the funded status of the pension plan. The following detail is included in the report:

- Actuarial Recommended Contribution
- Asset Performance
- Plan Demographics

This report is filled with actuarial terminology. However, the ultimate objective of the valuation is to provide a rational method of funding the plan. It is necessary to fund the benefit promised by the employer in a manner that is logical and employer friendly, yet safeguards the participants' interest. The actuarially derived contribution, however, is not the true cost of the pension plan. The true cost is illustrated by the following formula:

#### **Ultimate Pension Cost = Benefits Paid - Investment Income + Plan Expenses**

While the plan's liability and normal cost determine the current contribution recommendations, the true cost is controlled only by the "defined" benefit and investment income generated by the underlying assets. The actuarial process only controls the timing of costs.

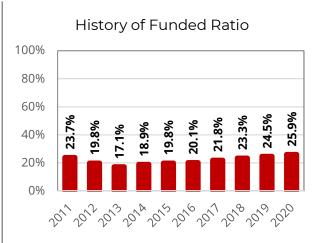
We suggest that a plan sponsor treat the actuarial report as you would treat a scorecard. It is simply a measure of progress toward the ultimate goal of paying all pension benefits when participants retire.

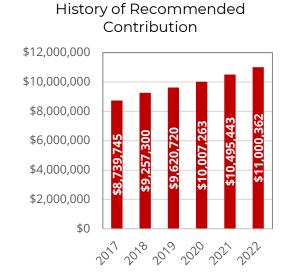


#### **Summary Results**

The actuarial valuation's primary purpose is to produce a scorecard measure displaying the funding progress of the plan toward the ultimate goal of paying benefits at retirement. The accrued liability is based on an entry age level percentage of pay.

| Valuation Date                                         | July 1, 2019  | July 1, 2020  |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| For Plan Year Ending                                   | June 30, 2021 | June 30, 2022 |
| Funded Status Measures                                 |               |               |
| Accrued Liability                                      | \$172,086,561 | \$177,198,205 |
| Actuarial Value of Assets                              | 42,163,063    | 45,975,298    |
| Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)            | \$129,923,498 | \$131,222,907 |
| Funded Percentage (AVA)                                | 24.5%         | 25.9%         |
| Funded Percentage (MVA)                                | 23.7%         | 25.2%         |
| Cost Measures                                          |               |               |
| Actuarial Recommended Contribution                     | \$10,495,443  | \$11,000,362  |
| Actuarial Recommended Contribution (as a % of payroll) | 60.9%         | 61.3%         |
| Asset Performance                                      |               |               |
| Market Value of Assets (MVA)                           | \$40,836,280  | \$44,568,039  |
| Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)                        | \$42,163,063  | \$45,975,298  |
| Actuarial Value/Market Value                           | 103.2%        | 103.2%        |
| Market Value Rate of Return                            | 4.0%          | 5.2%          |
| Actuarial Value Rate of Return                         | 4.7%          | 5.2%          |
| Participant Information                                |               |               |
| Active Participants                                    | 321           | 317           |
| Terminated Vested Participants                         | 50            | 56            |
| Retirees and Beneficiaries                             | 356           | 358           |
| Total                                                  | 727           | 731           |
| Valuation Payroll                                      | \$16,651,108  | \$17,338,285  |
| Expected Payroll                                       | \$17,233,897  | \$17,945,125  |







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#### **Changes since Prior Valuation and Key Notes**

To our knowledge, there have been no changes to the plan provisions since the last valuation.

The mortality table has been updated from using a fully generational improvement scale based on assumptions developed from the 2019 Social Security Trustees' Report to the improvement scale based on assumptions developed from the 2020 Social Security Trustees' Report. The base mortality table remains unchanged. This change results in a decrease in liability and normal cost.

This revised report replaces the originally issued July 1, 2020 valuation report dated December 11, 2020. The key difference is an update to the mortality assumptions.

# **Five Year Valuation Summary**

|                                      | 07/01/2016    | 07/01/2017    | 07/01/2018    | 07/01/2019    | 07/01/2020    |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Funding                              |               |               |               |               |               |
| Accrued Liability                    | \$157,816,954 | \$160,691,770 | \$165,637,204 | \$172,086,561 | \$177,198,205 |
| Actuarial Value of Assets            | \$31,779,265  | \$35,043,772  | \$38,622,330  | \$42,163,063  | \$45,975,298  |
| Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability | \$126,037,689 | \$125,647,998 | \$127,014,874 | \$129,923,498 | \$131,222,907 |
| Funded Percentage                    | 20.1%         | 21.8%         | 23.3%         | 24.5%         | 25.9%         |
| Total Normal Cost (NC)               | \$2,549,974   | \$2,502,614   | \$2,561,513   | \$2,612,554   | \$2,703,665   |
| NC as a Percent of Covered Payroll   | 15.9%         | 15.9%         | 15.6%         | 15.7%         | 15.6%         |
| Actual Contribution                  | \$9,247,549   | \$9,805,598   | \$10,038,041  | TBD           | TBD           |
| Recommended Contribution             | \$9,257,300   | \$9,620,720   | \$10,007,263  | \$10,495,443  | \$11,000,362  |
| Recommended Contribution (% of Pay)  | 56.4%         | 58.9%         | 59.0%         | 60.9%         | 61.3%         |
| Interest Rate                        | 7.50%         | 7.50%         | 7.50%         | 7.50%         | 7.50%         |
| Rate of Return                       |               |               |               |               |               |
| Actuarial Value of Asset             | 3.0%          | 5.6%          | 5.7%          | 4.7%          | 5.2%          |
| Market Value of Assets               | -3.6%         | 12.1%         | 6.9%          | 4.0%          | 5.2%          |
| Demographic Information              |               |               |               |               |               |
| Active Participants                  | 304           | 307           | 321           | 321           | 317           |
| Retired Participants                 | 236           | 234           | 237           | 247           | 246           |
| Beneficiaries                        | 52            | 52            | 53            | 50            | 51            |
| Disabled Participants                | 58            | 56            | 58            | 59            | 61            |
| Terminated Vested Participants       | 34            | 35            | 37            | 50            | 56            |
| Total Participants                   | 684           | 684           | 706           | 727           | 731           |
| Covered Payroll                      | \$16,091,817  | \$15,781,633  | \$16,387,887  | \$16,651,108  | \$17,338,285  |
| Average Covered Pay                  | \$52,934      | \$51,406      | \$51,053      | \$51,873      | \$54,695      |



#### **Identification of Risks**

The results presented in this report are shown as single point values. However, these values are derived using assumptions about future markets and demographic behavior. If actual experience deviates from our assumptions, the actual results for the plan will consequently deviate from those presented in this report. Therefore, it is critical to understand the risks facing this pension plan. The following table shows the risks we believe are most relevant to the Pension Plan of Town of West Warwick. The risks are generally ordered with those we believe to have the most significance at the top. Also shown are possible methods by which a more detailed assessment of the risk can be performed.

# Type of Risk Method to Assess Risk

| Investment Return     | Scenario Testing; Asset Liability Study |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Contribution Risk     | Stress Testing                          |
| Participant Longevity | Annual Monitoring                       |
| Salary Growth         | Experience Study                        |
| Demographic Risk      | Experience Study                        |



#### Plan Maturity Measures - July 1, 2020

Each pension plan has a distinct life-cycle. New plans promise future benefits to active employees and then accumulate assets to pre-fund those benefits. As the plan matures, benefits are paid and the pre-funded assets begin to decumulate until ultimately, the plan pays out all benefits. A plan's maturity has a dramatic influence on how risks should be viewed. The following maturity measures illustrate where the Pension Plan of Town of West Warwick falls in its life-cycle.

#### **Duration of Liabilities: 10.6**

Duration is the most common measure of plan maturity. It is defined as the sensitivity of the liabilities to a change in the interest rate assumption. The metric also approximates the weighted average length of time, in years, until benefits are expected to be paid. A plan with high duration is, by definition, more sensitive to changes in interest rates. A plan with low duration is more susceptible to risk if asset performance deviates from expectations as there would be less time to make up for market losses in adverse market environments while more favorable environments could result in trapped surplus from gains. Conversely, high duration plans can often take on more risk when investing, and low duration plans are less sensitive to interest rate fluctuations.

#### Demographic Distribution - Ratio of Actively Accruing Participants to All Participants: 42.8%

A plan with a high ratio is more sensitive to fluctuations in salary and statutory changes. A plan with a low ratio is at higher risk from demographic experience. Such a plan should pay close attention to valuation assumptions as there will be less opportunity to realize future offsetting gains or losses when current experience deviates from assumptions. Plans with a low ratio also have limited opportunities to make alterations to plan design to affect future funded status.

# Asset Leverage - Ratio of Payroll for Plan Participants to Market Value of Assets: 38.9%

Younger plans typically have a large payroll base from which to draw in order to fund the plan while mature plans often have a large pool of assets dedicated to providing benefits to a population primarily consisting of members no longer on payroll. Plans with low asset leverage will find it more difficult to address underfunding, as the contributions needed to make up the deficit will represent a higher percentage of payroll than for a plan with high asset leverage.

# Benefit Payment Percentage - Ratio of Annual Benefit Payments to Market Value of Assets: 23.5%

As a plan enters its decumulation phase, a larger percentage of the pre-funded assets are paid out each year to retirees. A high percentage is not cause for alarm as long as the plan is nearly fully funded. However, such a plan is more sensitive to negative asset performance, especially if cash contributions are not an option to make up for losses.



The basic building blocks of the actuarial report are contained in this section. These include:

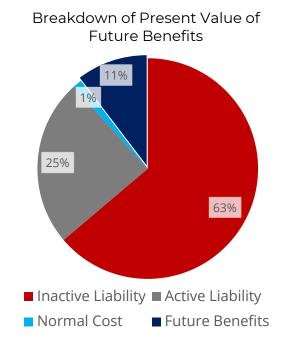
- Actuarial Accrued Liabilities
- Asset Information
- Summary of Contributions



#### **Present Value of Future Benefits**

The Present Value of Future Benefits represents the future benefits payable to the existing participants.

|                                  | July 1, 2020   |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Present Value of Future Benefits |                |
| Active participants              |                |
| Retirement                       | \$ 59,330,935  |
| Disability                       | 13,315,254     |
| Death                            | 662,016        |
| Termination                      | 886,946        |
| Total active                     | \$ 74,195,151  |
| Inactive participants            |                |
| Retired participants             | \$ 89,303,971  |
| Disabled                         | 27,985,526     |
| Beneficiaries                    | 6,975,851      |
| Terminated vested participants   | 2,418,430      |
| Total inactive                   | \$ 126,683,778 |
| Total                            | \$ 200,878,929 |
| Present value of future payrolls | \$ 153,299,427 |



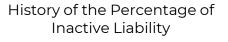


# **Actuarial Accrued Liability**

The Actuarial Accrued Liability measures the present value of benefits earned as of the valuation date, using a specified set of actuarial assumptions.

|                                   | July 1, 2020   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Active participants               |                |
| Retirement                        | \$43,508,394   |
| Disability                        | 6,612,386      |
| Death                             | 400,457        |
| Termination                       | (6,810)        |
| Total Active                      | \$50,514,427   |
| Inactive participants             |                |
| Retired participants              | \$ 89,303,971  |
| Disabled                          | 27,985,526     |
| Beneficiaries                     | 6,975,851      |
| Terminated vested participants    | 2,418,430      |
| Total Inactive                    | \$ 126,683,778 |
| Total Actuarial Accrued Liability | \$177,198,205  |
|                                   |                |
| Normal Cost                       | \$2,703,665    |
| Interest Rate                     | 7.50%          |









# **Reconciliation of Actuarial Accrued Liability**

A plan's Actuarial Accrued Liability will change from one year to the next. It increases due to benefit accruals (Normal Cost) and interest, and it decreases as benefits are paid. Demographic experience, assumption changes, and plan changes can cause increases or decreases.

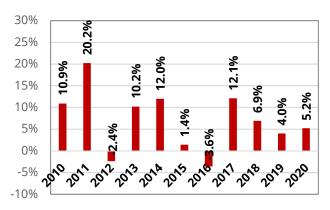
|                                             | July 1, 2020  |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Actuarial Accrued Liability prior year   | \$172,086,561 |
| 2. Increases or decreases due to:           |               |
| (a) Normal Cost                             | 2,612,554     |
| (b) Interest Adjustment                     | 12,716,130    |
| (c) Benefits Paid                           | (10,491,070)  |
| (d) Demographic Experience                  | 604,287       |
| (e) Interest Rate Assumption Changes        | 0             |
| (f) Mortality Assumption Changes            | (330,257)     |
| (g) Other Assumption Changes                | 0             |
| (h) Plan Changes                            | 0             |
| (i) Other Changes                           | 0             |
| 3. Actuarial Accrued Liability current year | \$177,198,205 |

#### **Asset Information**

The amount of assets backing the pension promise is the most significant driver of volatility and future costs within a pension plan. The investment performance of the assets directly offsets the ultimate cost.

|                                                   | July 1, 2020 |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Market Value Reconciliation                       |              |
| Market value of assets, beginning of prior year   | \$40,836,280 |
| Contributions                                     |              |
| Employer contributions                            | 10,038,041   |
| Employee contributions                            | 2,037,223    |
| Total                                             | \$12,075,264 |
| Investment income                                 | 2,407,323    |
| Benefit payments                                  | (10,491,070) |
| Investment Expenses                               | (138,973)    |
| Administrative expenses                           | (120,785)    |
| Market value of assets, beginning of current year | \$44,568,039 |
| Return on Market Value of Assets, Gross           | 5.8%         |
| Return on Market Value of Assets, Net of Expenses | 5.2%         |
| Actuarial Value of Assets                         |              |
| Value at beginning of current year                | \$45,975,298 |

# Rates of Return



Monitoring the pension plan's investment performance is crucial to eliminating surprises.



# Asset Information (continued) – Development of Actuarial Value of Assets

Plan Assets are used to develop funded percentages and contribution requirements.

|                                                                                       | July 1, 2020    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Investment Gain or (Loss)                                                             |                 |
| Expected Market Value of Assets                                                       |                 |
| (a) Market value of assets, beginning of prior year                                   | \$40,836,280    |
| (b) Contributions                                                                     | \$12,075,264    |
| (c) Benefit payments                                                                  | \$ (10,491,070) |
| (d) Expected Return                                                                   | \$3,119,385     |
| (e) Expected market value of assets, beginning of current year, (a) + (b) + (c) + (d) | \$45,539,859    |
| 2. Actual market value of assets, beginning of current year                           | \$44,568,039    |
| 3. Amount subject to Phase-In, (2) – (1)(e)                                           | \$ (971,820)    |
| Actuarial Value of Assets                                                             |                 |
| 4. Market value of assets                                                             | \$44,539,859    |
| 5. Deferred Investment gains or (losses)                                              |                 |
| (a) Current year (80% x (971,820))                                                    | (777,456)       |
| (b) First prior year (60% x (1,357,814))                                              | (814,688)       |
| (c) Second prior year (40% x (202,467))                                               | (80,987)        |
| (d) Third prior year (20% x 1,329,359)                                                | 265,872         |
| (e) Total                                                                             | \$ (1,407,259)  |
| 6. Actuarial value of assets, beginning of current year (4) – (5)(e)                  | \$45,975,298    |
| 7. Return on actuarial value of assets                                                | 5.20%           |



# **Funding Results**

The basic building blocks of the actuarial report are contained in this section. These include:

- Reconciliation of Gain/Loss
- Recommended Contribution



# **Funding Results**

# Reconciliation of (Gain)/Loss

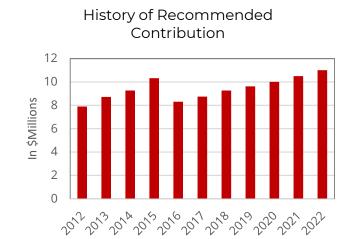
|                                                                   | July 1, 2020    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Liability (Gain)/Loss                                             |                 |
| 1. Actuarial liability, beginning of prior year                   | \$172,086,561   |
| 2. Normal cost for prior year                                     | \$2,612,554     |
| 3. Benefit payments                                               | \$ (10,491,070) |
| 4. Expected Interest                                              | \$12,716,130    |
| 5. Change in Assumptions                                          | \$ (330,257)    |
| 6. Other Changes                                                  | \$ 0            |
| 7. Expected actuarial liability, beginning of current year        | \$176,593,918   |
| 8. Actual actuarial liability                                     | \$177,198,205   |
| 9. Liability (Gain)/Loss, (8) – (7)                               | \$604,287       |
| Asset (Gain)/Loss                                                 |                 |
| 10. Actuarial value of assets, beginning of prior year            | \$42,163,063    |
| 11. Contributions                                                 | \$12,075,264    |
| 12. Benefit payments                                              | \$ (10,491,070) |
| 13. Expected Investment return                                    | \$3,221,637     |
| 14. Expected actuarial value of assets, beginning of current year | \$46,968,894    |
| 15. Actual actuarial value of assets, beginning of current year   | \$45,975,298    |
| 16. Asset (Gain)/Loss, (14) – (15)                                | \$993,596       |
| Total (Gain)/Loss, (9) + (16)                                     | \$1,597,883     |

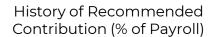


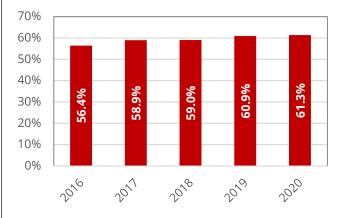
# **Development of Actuarial Recommended Contribution**

The recommended contribution is the annual amount necessary to fund the plan according to funding policies and/or applicable laws.

| Recommended Contribution                                  | July 1, 2020   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Accrued Liability                                      | \$ 177,198,205 |
| 2. Actuarial value of assets                              | \$45,975,298   |
| 3. Unfunded accrued liability, (1)-(2)                    | \$ 131,222,907 |
| 4. Normal Cost                                            | ,,,            |
| a. Total normal cost                                      | \$ 2,703,665   |
| b. Expected participant contributions                     | \$ 1,899,601   |
| c. Net normal cost                                        | \$ 804,064     |
| 5. Net Amortization Payment                               | \$ 9,443,777   |
| 6. Applicable Interest                                    | \$ 377,347     |
| 7. Calculated contribution at valuation date              | \$ 10,625,188  |
| 8. Valuation payroll                                      | \$17,338,285   |
| 9. Calculated contribution as a percentage of payroll     | 61.3%          |
| 10. Projected Payroll                                     | \$17,945,125   |
| 11. Actuarial Recommended Funding Contribution (9) X (10) | \$ 11,000,362  |









<sup>\*</sup>Additional details are provided in the back of the report.

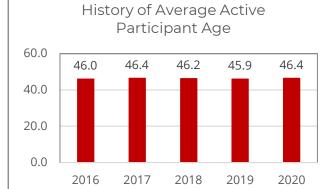
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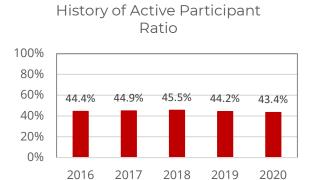


# **Demographic Information**

The foundation of a reliable actuarial report is the participant information provided by the plan sponsor. Monitoring trends in demographic information is crucial for long-term pension planning.

|                                 | July 1, 2019 | July 1, 2020 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Participant Counts              |              |              |
| Active Participants             | 321          | 317          |
| Retired Participants            | 247          | 246          |
| Beneficiaries                   | 50           | 51           |
| Disabled Participants           | 59           | 61           |
| Terminated Vested Participants  | 50           | 56           |
| Total Participants              | 727          | 731          |
| Active Participant Demographics |              |              |
| Average Age                     | 45.9         | 46.4         |
| Average Service                 | 11.8         | 12.0         |
| Average Compensation            | \$51,873     | \$54,695     |
| Total Covered Payroll           | \$16,651,108 | \$17,338,285 |







# **Demographic Information (continued)**

|                                                                           | July 1, 2019 | July 1, 2020 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Retiree Statistics                                                        |              |              |
| Average Age                                                               | 67.2         | 67.4         |
| Average Monthly Benefit                                                   | \$2,435      | \$2,514      |
| Beneficiary Statistics                                                    |              |              |
| Average Age                                                               | 73.9         | 73.4         |
| Average Monthly Benefit                                                   | \$1,222      | \$1,279      |
| Disabled Participant Statistics                                           |              |              |
| Average Age                                                               | 58.7         | 59.7         |
| Average Monthly Benefit                                                   | \$3,147      | \$3,164      |
| Terminated Participant Statistics                                         |              |              |
| Average Age                                                               | 54.1         | 53.7         |
| Average Monthly Benefit                                                   | \$1,209      | \$1,141      |
| Terminated Participant Statistics – Return of Employee Contributions Only |              |              |
| Average Age                                                               | 42.0         | 42.3         |
| Average Employee Contribution Balance Owed                                | \$8,046      | \$7,962      |
| Total Employee Contribution Balance Owed (without interest)               | \$273,564    | \$318,485    |

Monitoring the average age of the population is important due to the relationship of actuarial cost to age. Generally speaking, an older population generates a higher actuarial cost.

Changes in the ratio of active to retired participants can be a significant driver of costs in a volatile asset market.



# **Participant Reconciliation**

|                      | Active | Terminated<br>Vested | Disabled | Retired | Beneficiaries | Totals |
|----------------------|--------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------------|--------|
| Prior Year           | 321    | 50                   | 59       | 247     | 50            | 727    |
| Active               |        |                      |          |         |               |        |
| To Non-Participating | 0      | 0                    | 0        | 0       | 0             | 0      |
| To Terminated Vested | (11)   | 11                   | 0        | 0       | 0             | 0      |
| To Lump Sum Cash-Out | (5)    | 0                    | 0        | 0       | 0             | (5)    |
| To Retired           | (8)    | 0                    | 0        | 8       | 0             | 0      |
| To Death             | (1)    | 0                    | 0        | 0       | 0             | (1)    |
| Terminated Vested    |        |                      |          |         |               |        |
| To Retired           | 0      | (1)                  | 0        | 1       | 0             | 0      |
| To Disabled          | 0      | (2)                  | 2        | 0       | 0             | 0      |
| To Lump Sum Cash-Out | 0      | (5)                  | 0        | 0       | 0             | (5)    |
| Retired              |        |                      |          |         |               |        |
| To Death             | 0      | 0                    | 0        | (10)    | 0             | (10)   |
| To Survivor          | 0      | 0                    | 0        | 0       | 0             | 0      |
| Beneficiary          |        |                      |          |         |               |        |
| To Death             | 0      | 0                    | 0        | 0       | (5)           | (5)    |
| Lump Sum Cash-Out    |        |                      |          |         |               |        |
| To Active            | 0      | 0                    | 0        | 0       | 0             | 0      |
| Additions            | 21     | 3                    | 0        | 0       | 6             | 30     |
| Departures           | 0      | 0                    | 0        | 0       | 0             | 0      |
| Current Year         | 317    | 56                   | 61       | 246     | 51            | 731    |



# **Active Participant Schedule**

Active participant information grouped based on age and service.

|           | Years of Service |         |          |          |    |    |          |          |         |       |
|-----------|------------------|---------|----------|----------|----|----|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| Age Group | 0 to 5           | 5 to 10 | 10 to 15 | 15 to 20 |    |    | 30 to 35 | 35 to 40 | 40 & Up | Total |
| Under 25  | 3                |         |          |          |    |    |          |          |         | 3     |
| 25 to 29  | 25               | 1       |          |          |    |    |          |          |         | 26    |
| 30 to 34  | 16               | 11      | 5        |          |    |    |          |          |         | 32    |
| 35 to 39  | 9                | 7       | 10       | 4        |    |    |          |          |         | 30    |
| 40 to 44  | 17               | 7       | 1        | 11       | 5  |    |          |          |         | 41    |
| 45 to 49  | 11               | 9       | 6        | 13       | 15 | 6  |          |          |         | 60    |
| 50 to 54  | 11               | 11      | 7        | 9        | 6  | 7  | 3        |          |         | 54    |
| 55 to 59  | 4                | 6       | 6        | 9        | 6  | 3  | 3        |          |         | 37    |
| 60 to 64  | 2                | 3       | 5        | 6        | 6  | 4  | 2        |          |         | 28    |
| 65 to 69  |                  |         | 3        | 1        | 1  |    |          |          |         | 5     |
| 70 & up   |                  |         | 1        |          |    |    |          |          |         | 1     |
| Total     | 98               | 55      | 44       | 53       | 39 | 20 | 8        |          |         | 317   |



#### Name of plan

Pension Plan of Town of West Warwick

#### **Effective Date**

Police and Fire April 1, 1957 School March 1, 1970 Others July 1, 1969

## **Eligibility for Participation**

Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan upon date of hire.

#### **Benefits**

#### **Normal Retirement**

Eligibility

Fire hired before 7/1/14 Earlier of age 62 or age 50 with 25 years of service. The mandatory retirement age is 62.5.

Four members named in the CBA may retire upon the earlier of age 62.5 or 20 years of

Service

Fire hired on or after 7/1/14 Earlier of age 62 or age 55 with 25 years of service. The mandatory retirement age is 62.5.

Civilian Fire Age 60 with 10 years of service

Police hired before 7/1/14 Earlier of age 62 or 20 years of service

Police hired on or after 7/1/14 Earlier of age 62 or age 50 with 20 years of service

Library Earlier of age 60 with 10 years of service or 25 years of service

Municipal Non-Union Age 55 and 10 years of service

Municipal Union, Waste Water, School (Council 94)

Hired before 7/1/14 Age 62 with 12 years of service or 25 years of service

Hired on or after 7/1/14 Earlier of age 62 and 12 years of service or age 55 and 25 years of service

Five members named in Ordinance No. 2018-9 may retire at age 60 with 10 years of service



#### **Normal Retirement (continued)**

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Fire 2.2% of Average Annual Compensation multiplied by credited service up to 25 years,

plus 3.0% of Average Annual Compensation for up to 5 additional years with a

maximum benefit of 70% of Average Annual Compensation

Police with 20 years of service as of 6/30/2014 2.5% of Average Annual Compensation multiplied by credited service up to 28 years.

Other Police 2.5% of Average Annual Compensation multiplied by credited service up to 20 years,

plus 1.0% of Average Annual Compensation for the next 5 years of service, plus 2.5% of Average Annual Compensation for the next 6 years of service. The maximum benefit of

70% of Average Annual Compensation is attained at 31 years of service.

Library 2.5% of Average Annual Compensation multiplied by credited service

Municipal Non-Union, Municipal Union, Waste Water,

School (Council 94)

2.5% of Average Annual Compensation multiplied by credited service for each year of service prior to 7/1/14, plus 2.4% of Average Annual Compensation for each year of

service after 7/1/14

# **Early Retirement**

Eligibility

Police and Fire Age 50 with 10 years of service

Others Department head after age 50 and 10 years of service

Benefit Actuarially reduced normal retirement benefit



#### **Death before Retirement**

Eligibility

Benefit

#### **Death after Retirement**

Benefit

#### Participant of the Plan

A lump sum equal to \$400 multiplied by years of service, with a minimum of \$2,000 and a maximum of \$8,000 is payable to the employee's beneficiary. If a survivor's pension is not payable, an additional amount equal to employee contributions with credited interest is payable to the employee's beneficiary.

If the employee dies after 10 years of service and while married, his spouse will receive a monthly pension to the amount which would be payable if he had retired with a 50% joint & survivor annuity.

A lump sum is payable to the participant's beneficiary in an amount equal to the greater of:

- A) \$400 multiplied by years of service, with a maximum of \$8,000, reducing by 25% per year following retirement, to a minimum of \$2,000 or
- B) The excess of the employee's contributions plus credited interest to the retirement date over any benefits already paid

In addition, a spouse's pension equal to 67.50% of the participant's pension is payable until the earlier of the spouse's death or remarriage, or to surviving dependent children under age 18.



#### **Occupational Disability Retirement**

Eligibility Immediately upon disability

Benefit 2/3 of Average Annual Compensation at disability retirement payable for life

Fire – Occurs Before 25 Years of Service

Payments receive no annual increases. Upon the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary since date of hire, benefit is adjusted to 55% of present pay received by active employees in the position

held at time of disability retirement. After 7 years of COLA suspension, the 2.25%

simple COLA applies for 15 years.

Fire – Occurs After 25 Years of Service After 7 Years of COLA suspension commencing at date of disability, the 2.25% simple

COLA applies for 15 years.

Police Payments are increased annually by the percentage increase in pay of an active

employee in the position held at time of disability retirement. If the member is not fully disabled at normal retirement age, the benefit is adjusted to the member's accrued benefit under the normal retirement benefit formula. The standard

retirement COLA will apply to this portion of the benefit, with no 7-year delay.

Others After 5 years of COLA suspension commencing at date of disability, the 2.00%

compounded COLA applies for 15 years.

**Non-Occupational Disability** 

Eligibility

Police and Fire 7 years of continuous service and prior to early or normal retirement date

Others Immediately upon disability

# Non-Occupational Disability - Continued

Benefit

Fire – Prior to 10 Years of Service 25% of Annual Compensation

Fire – After 10 Years of Service 25% of Annual Compensation, plus 2.2% for each year between 10 and 25, plus

3.0% for each year between 25 and 30 years. Accruals cease at 30 years

Police Accrued normal retirement benefit with a minimum of 50% Average Annual

Compensation

Others Accrued normal retirement benefit

**Partial Disability** 

Eligibility Immediately upon disability, Police and Fire employees excluded

Benefit 2% of Annual Compensation times years of service.

**Annual Compensation** 

Police Basic earnings, longevity pay (excluding overtime and other extra payments),

wellness stipend, and 105 hours of holiday pay

Fire Basic earnings, longevity pay (excluding overtime and other extra payments), all

holiday pay, and EMT pay

Others Gross earnings

**Average Annual Compensation** 

Police, Library Average of Annual Compensation over the last 12 months of employment

Fire Average of highest three consecutive Annual Compensation amounts

Municipal Non-Union Average of final three Annual Compensation amounts

Municipal Union, Waste Water, School (Council 94)

Average of final ten Annual Compensation amounts



#### **Continuous Service**

Number of years and completed months of uninterrupted service

## **Employee Contributions**

| Police | 12% of Annual Compensation |
|--------|----------------------------|
|        |                            |

Fire 13% of Annual Compensation

Library 9% of Annual Compensation

Others 11% of Annual Compensation

# **Cost of Living Adjustments**

| Police* | 2.00% compounded for 10 years effective July 1, 19 | 91 |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------|----|
|         |                                                    |    |

2.25% compounded for 15 years effective July 1, 2000

Suspended 7 years from retirement, followed by 2.25% compounded for 15 years.

Fire\* 2.00% compounded for 10 years effective July 1, 1991

2.25% compounded for 15 years effective July 1, 2002

Suspended until the earlier of 7 years from retirement or age 62.5 for regular members (age 67 for civilian members), followed by 2.25% simple COLA for 15 years.

Library\* 2.00% compounded for 5 years effective July 1, 1999

2.25% compounded for 15 years effective July 1, 2002

Others\* 2.00% compounded for 5 years effective July 1, 1999

2.25% compounded for 15 years effective July 1, 2002

Suspended 5 years from retirement, followed by 2.00% compounded for 15 years.



#### Cost of living adjustments (continued)

\*For retirees and deferred vested participants as of July 1, 2014, the COLA was suspended for 5 years from July 1, 2014 through and including June 30, 2020. After the suspension, the COLA resumes for members who have remaining COLA increases. For example, if the member had only received 2 years of COLA increases prior to the suspension, they receive COLA increases for years 3 through 15 when the COLA resumes beginning with the plan year beginning July 1, 2020.

#### Vesting

Upon termination after 10 years of service, Member may choose between a refund of contributions with interest or a monthly pension at normal retirement date.

Upon termination prior to 10 years of service, Member contributions are returned with interest accumulated at 4.0% per year.

# Normal form of payment

The normal form of benefit is a monthly benefit payable for the participant's lifetime with 67.5% of such benefit continued to a surviving contingent annuitant following the participant's death with guaranteed return of employee contributions accumulated at 4.0% interest to retirement.

#### **Plan Provisions Not Included**

We are not aware of any plan provisions not included in the valuation

# **Adjustments Made for Subsequent Events**

We are not aware of any event following the measurement date and prior to the date of this report that would materially impact the results of this report.



Except where otherwise indicated, the following assumptions were selected by the plan sponsor with the concurrence of the actuary. Prescribed assumptions are based on the requirements of the relevant law, the Internal Revenue Code, and applicable regulation. The actuary was not able to evaluate the prescribed assumptions for reasonableness for the purpose of the measurement. Unless otherwise specified, assumptions are based on a study of actuarial experience for the plan during 7/1/2010 – 7/1/2017. See experience study dated March 30, 2018.

Valuation Date July 1, 2020

Participant and Asset Information Collected as of July 1, 2020

Cost Method (CO) Entry Age Normal Cost Method. The Actuarial Recommended Contribution is determined

as a percentage of projected payroll in the following plan year.

**Amortization Method** (CO) 25 year closed level % of pay amortization of the excess of the entry age actuarial accrued liability over the actuarial value of plan assets beginning 7/1/2014. Annual gains, losses,

changes in assumptions and plan provisions are set up as new outstanding bases

amortized over 25 years. For this purpose, payroll is assumed to grow at 3.5% annually.

Asset Valuation Method The actuarial value of assets is equal to the fair market value of assets on the valuation

date adjusted for a 5-year phase in of gains and losses on fair market value of assets.

Interest Rates (CO) 7.50%

Expense and/or Contingency Loading (FE) None

**Annual Pay Increases** (*FE*) 3.5% compounded annually

**Mortality Rates** (FE)

Healthy

Police and Fire RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with generational improvements from 2006 based on

assumptions from the 2020 Social Security Administration Trustee's Report

Others and Beneficiaries of All Participants RP-2014 Mortality Table with generational improvements from 2006 based on

assumptions from the 2020 Social Security Administration Trustee's Report

Disabled RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with generational improvements from 2006 based on

assumptions from the 2020 Social Security Administration Trustees' Report



#### Retirement Rates (FE)

Others

Police – Hired Prior to 7/1/14 25% at 20 years of service; 50% at 25 years of service; 100% at age 62; 5% at all other age/service combinations

Police – Hired On or After 7/1/14 25% at first eligibility for unreduced retirement if less than 25 years of service; 50% at first

5% at all other age/service combinations

4 Grandfathered Fire Members 25% at 20 years of service; 50% at 25 years of service; 100% at age 62; 5% at all other

age/service combinations

Other Fire Members 50% at first eligibility for unreduced retirement; 5% at ages 50-54; 30% at ages 55 and 60 if ineligible for unreduced retirement; 50% at ages 55 and 60 if eligible for unreduced

retirement; 100% at age 62; 10% at all other age/service combinations

eligibility for unreduced retirement at 25 years or more years of service; 100% at age 62;

Civilian Fire Members 5% at all ages <60; 50% at ages 60 and 62; 10% at ages 61, 63, 64; 100% at age 65

If retirement eligible, the following rates:

| <u>Age</u> | <u>Rate</u> |
|------------|-------------|
| 0-55       | 2%          |
| 56-59      | 4%          |
| 60         | 25%         |
| 61         | 10%         |
| 62-64      | 30%         |
| 65-66      | 25%         |
| 67-69      | 50%         |
| 70         | 100%        |
|            |             |

# **Disability Rates** (FE)

Police and Fire\* 3 times the 1985 Pension Disability Table

Others 1985 Pension Disability Table through age 54

| <u>Age</u> | Police and Fire | <u>Others</u> |
|------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 25         | 0.28%           | 0.09%         |
| 30         | 0.44%           | 0.15%         |
| 35         | 0.66%           | 0.22%         |
| 40         | 0.99%           | 0.33%         |
| 45         | 1.53%           | 0.51%         |
| 50         | 2.51%           | 0.84%         |
| 55         | 4.49%           | 0.00%         |
| 60         | 6.32%           | 0.00%         |

<sup>\*50%</sup> of Police members who become disabled prior to retirement age are assumed to remain disabled at retirement age

# Withdrawal Rates (FE)

Police and Fire None Others Crocker-Sarason T-3

| <u>Age</u> | <u>T-3</u> |
|------------|------------|
| 25         | 5.27%      |
| 30         | 4.83%      |
| 35         | 4.47%      |
| 40         | 3.84%      |
| 45         | 3.21%      |
| 50         | 1.52%      |
| 55         | 0.33%      |
| 60         | 0.00%      |



Marital Status and Ages (FE) 80% of participants assumed to be married with female spouses 3 years younger than

husbands.

COLA – Active Police Disability 90% of assumed active base salary increase rate (0.00% next 1 year; 3.15%

compounded thereafter)

**Other Procedures**Benefits projected to assumed retirement age for active participants have been limited so

as not to exceed maximum benefit limits imposed by Code Section 415(b) and/or maximum

compensation limits of Code Section 401(a)(17).

**Changes since Prior Report**The table for generational mortality improvement assumptions for all divisions has been undeted from a goals based upon disclosed in the 2010. Social Sequential

updated from a scale based upon assumptions disclosed in the 2019 Social Security Administration's Trustees' Report to a scale based upon assumptions disclosed in the 2020

Social Security Administration's Trustees' Report.

FE indicates an assumption representing an estimate of future experience

MD indicates an assumption representing observations of estimates inherent in market data

CO indicates an assumption representing a combination of an estimate of future experience and observations of market data



# **Other Measurements**

The actuarial report also shows the necessary items required for plan reporting and any state requirements.

- Exhibit 1 Schedule of Amortizations
- Exhibit 2 Actuarial Recommended Contribution by Division Plan Year Ending 6/30/2022

# **Exhibit 1 - Schedule of Amortizations**

| Date Established | Remaining<br>Period (Years) | Outstanding<br>Balance | Annual<br>Payment |
|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| 7/1/2020         | 25                          | 1,282,945              | 77,942            |
| 7/1/2019         | 24                          | 2,641,618              | 164,507           |
| 7/1/2018         | 23                          | 827,947                | 52,939            |
| 7/1/2017         | 22                          | (1,225,750)            | (80,612)          |
| 7/1/2016         | 21                          | 3,290,975              | 223,048           |
| 7/1/2015         | 20                          | 3,712,666              | 259,879           |
| 7/1/2014         | 19                          | 120,692,506            | 8,746,074         |
|                  |                             | \$131,222,907          | \$ 9,443,777      |

# **Other Measurements**

# Exhibit 2 – Actuarial Recommended Contribution by Division – Plan Year Ending 06/30/2022

The actuarial recommended contribution is the annual amount necessary to fund the plan according to funding policies and/or applicable laws.

| <u>-</u>                                                                                     | Library   | Waste Water | School      | Town        | Fire        | Police      | Total        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
|                                                                                              |           |             |             |             |             |             |              |
| (1) Total Normal Cost                                                                        | \$40,387  | \$125,791   | \$615,103   | \$332,184   | \$866,650   | \$723,550   | \$2,703,665  |
| (2) Expected Employee Contributions                                                          | \$22,327  | \$105,491   | \$469,962   | \$311,338   | \$576,664   | \$413,819   | \$1,899,601  |
| (3) Employer Normal Cost (1) – (2)                                                           | \$18,060  | \$20,300    | \$145,141   | \$20,846    | \$289,986   | \$309,731   | \$804,064    |
| (4) Net Amortization Payment                                                                 | \$167,552 | \$555,584   | \$1,510,918 | \$1,970,456 | \$2,565,378 | \$2,673,889 | \$9,443,777  |
| (5) Interest at Valuation Rate on (3)+(4)                                                    | \$6,835   | \$21,205    | \$60,980    | \$73,324    | \$105,140   | \$109,863   | \$377,347    |
| (6) Calculated Contribution at Valuation Date<br>(3) + (4) + (5)                             | \$192,447 | \$597,089   | \$1,717,039 | \$2,064,626 | \$2,960,505 | \$3,093,482 | \$10,625,188 |
| (7) Valuation Payroll                                                                        | \$259,027 | \$1,004,130 | \$4,660,311 | \$2,931,282 | \$4,802,615 | \$3,680,920 | \$17,338,285 |
| (8) Calculated Contribution at Valuation Date as a percentage of Valuation Payroll (6) / (7) | 74.3%     | 59.5%       | 36.8%       | 70.4%       | 61.6%       | 84.0%       | 61.3%        |
| (9) Projected Payroll                                                                        | \$268,093 | \$1,039,275 | \$4,823,422 | \$3,033,877 | \$4,970,707 | \$3,809,751 | \$17,945,125 |
| (10) Preliminary Actuarial Recommended<br>Contribution (8) x (9)                             | \$199,193 | \$618,369   | \$1,775,019 | \$2,135,849 | \$3,061,956 | \$3,200,191 | \$10,990,577 |
| (11) Adjustment Due to Rounding                                                              | \$146     | \$567       | \$2,630     | \$1,654     | \$2,710     | \$2,078     | \$9,785      |
| (12) Actuarial Recommended Contribution (10)<br>+ (11)                                       | \$199,339 | \$618,936   | \$1,777,649 | \$2,137,503 | \$3,064,666 | \$3,202,269 | \$11,000,362 |

