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A meeting of the Hampshire County Retirement Board convened on **Tuesday**, **September 23**, **2025** at 99 Industrial Drive, Suite 2, Northampton, MA 01060. The meeting was **called to order** at 10:23 a.m.

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ROLL CALL showed Chairman Patrick E. Brock, Elected Members Jennifer LaFountain and Joseph Shea, Appointed Members Jane Wolfe and Joe Cook, Administrator Mary G. Baronas and Assistant Administrator Patricia M. Rutkowski were present. Attorney James Quirk attended by conference call.

The following **ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES** were discussed and action was taken as individually noted:

The Board met with Thomas Gibson and Gerald McDonough of Gibson Law Offices to conduct an interview for Legal Services. Thomas Gibson attended by conference call. Questions were asked and answered.

The Board met with Uyen Tran of Pivotal Legal Services to conduct an interview for Legal Services. Questions were asked and answered.

Upon Ms. Wolfe's motion and Mr. Cook's second, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Chairman to notify Gibson Law Offices they have been selected as the primary legal firm and Pivotal Legal Services has been selected as backup. The Chairman is authorize to take all necessary action to execute and enter into contracts.

Future Board meetings are scheduled for:

October 8, 2025 – Monthly Meeting November 12, 2025 – Monthly Meeting

Upcoming Events are noted as follows:

*2025 MACRS Fall Conference, December 7 – 10, 2025, Springfield, MA.

* Noted programs have been approved by the Board for attendance and expenses

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Upon Ms. Wolfe's motion and Mr. Cook's second, the Board voted unanimously to **adjourn** the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia M. Rutkowski, Assistant Administrator	
Approved by the Hampshire County Retirement Boar	d:
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Patrick E. Brock, Chairman	•
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Joseph Shea, Elected Member	Jennifer LaPountain, Elected Member
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Joe Cook, Appointed Member	Jane Wolfe, Appointed Member
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