



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE
May 22, 2014**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards of Mesa, Arizona, was held in Conference Room 170 W, 20 E. Main Street, 1st Floor, on May 22, 2014 at 2:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Marty Whalen, Chairman
Chris Brady, City Manager
Rick Jaime (Fire)
Stephen Lentz (Police)
Ty Perkins (Fire)
Floyd Smith (Police)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bryan Raines, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT

Dee Ann Mickelsen, City Clerk
Vanessa Datson, Sr. Program Asst.

OTHERS PRESENT

Erik Badger (Applicant)
Kathryn Baillie
Kurt Castaneda
Charlie Cluff
Jackie Hale
Nitra Hawkins
Steven Jauregui (Applicant)
Brian Kotsur (Applicant)
Gary Manning
Teri Overbey
Grant Vaughn (Applicant)

Chairman Whalen asked for a moment of silence in honor of fallen Police Officer Brandon Mendoza.

Chairman Whalen excused Boardmember Raines from the meeting.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of April 17, 2014.

It was moved by Boardmember Smith, seconded by Boardmember Perkins, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of April 17, 2014 be approved.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

FIRE PENSION BOARD

2. Discuss and consider the DROP application of Fire Engineer Scott Crawford.

It was moved by Boardmember Perkins, seconded by Boardmember Jaime, that the DROP application of Fire Engineer Scott Crawford be approved.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Approve the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirements of Battalion Chief William Hayes and Assistant Fire Chief Daniel Stubbs.

It was moved by Boardmember Jaime, seconded by Boardmember Perkins, that the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirements of Battalion Chief William Hayes and Assistant Fire Chief Daniel Stubbs be approved.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

4. Consider termination of deceased member Joseph A. Quintanares's normal pension benefit and approval of the Survivor Benefit application for Stella Quintanares, spouse of deceased member.

It was moved by Boardmember Perkins, seconded by Boardmember Jaime, that the termination of deceased member Joseph A. Quintanares's normal pension benefit and the Survivor Benefit application for Stella Quintanares, spouse of deceased member, be approved.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

5. Discuss and consider rescission of previous Board approval on the DROP application of Battalion Chief Brian Kotsur.

It was moved by Boardmember Perkins, seconded by Boardmember Jaime, that the rescission of previous Board approval on the DROP application of Battalion Chief Brian Kotsur be approved.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Fire Pension Board adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

(The Board recessed at 2:17 p.m. in order to convene an Executive Session and reconvened the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board meeting at 2:23 p.m.)

6. Certification of full-time Law Enforcement Officers pursuant to A.R.S. §§38-842.24, 38-842.27, 38-842.31 and 38-847(D)1.

Subsequent to a review of all medical reports, Local Boardmembers requested the record reflect that the applicants, Matthew Blair, Jake Campbell, Joel Countryman, Ashley Espinoza, Joshua Gustafson, Jeffrey Jaeger, Colten Korsten, David Kuenne, Jesus M. Lopez, Victor Pia III, Eric Reeder, Mathew Salstrom, Christopher Szatkowski, Jason Vertin, and Jenna Williams, have pre-existing medical conditions.

It was moved by Boardmember Smith, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that Law Enforcement applicants Matthew Blair, Jake Campbell, Joel Countryman, Ashley Espinoza, Joshua Gustafson, Jeffrey Jaeger, Colten Korsten, David Kuenne, Jesus M. Lopez, Victor Pia III, Eric Reeder, Mathew Salstrom, Christopher Szatkowski, Jason Vertin, and Jenna Williams, be certified, subject to the pre-existing medical conditions as noted

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

7. Discuss and consider the DROP application of Police Officer Clay Faulkner.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, Seconded by Boardmember Smith, that the DROP application for Police Officer Clay Faulkner be approved.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

8. Approve the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirements of Police Sergeant Steven Casillas, Police Sergeant Roy Conrad, Police Officer Carlos Gastelum (effective 4/30/14), Police Officer Christopher McAleer, Police Officer Catherine Melis, Police Officer John Merrell, Police Sergeant Michael Saltz, Police Sergeant Stephanie Sherwood, and Police Sergeant Carl Tipton.

It was moved by Boardmember Smith, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirements of Police Sergeant Steven Casillas, Police Sergeant Roy Conrad, Police Officer Carlos Gastelum (effective 4/30/14), Police Officer Christopher McAleer, Police Officer Catherine Melis, Police Officer John Merrell, Police Sergeant Michael Saltz, Police Sergeant Stephanie Sherwood, and Police Sergeant Carl Tipton be approved.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

9. Acknowledge the death of Police Officer Brandon Mendoza and consider approval of the Designated Beneficiary application for Mary Ann Mendoza, mother of deceased member.

This item was continued.

10. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Erik Badger.

It was moved by Boardmember Smith, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that this item be continued in order to obtain information from the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

11. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Steven Jauregui.

Chairman Whalen welcomed Police Officer Steven Jauregui. Chairman Whalen advised Officer Jauregui that the members of the Local Board have reviewed his application and medical records. Chairman Whalen outlined the process that would be followed by the Board and encouraged the members to pose any questions they may have regarding Officer Jauregui's pending Accidental Disability application.

Discussion ensued relative to Officer Jauregui's disabling injury and subsequent treatments.

Chairman Whalen stated that in view of the absence of additional questions from the Board, he would entertain a motion relative to this case.

It was moved by Boardmember Smith, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that pending disability applicant Police Officer Steven Jauregui be referred to a local board physician for an independent medical evaluation.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

12. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Roxana Meicke.

This item was continued at the request of the applicant.

13. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Grant Vaughn.

Chairman Whalen welcomed Police Officer Grant Vaughn. Chairman Whalen advised Officer Vaughn that the members of the Local Board have reviewed his application and medical records. Chairman Whalen outlined the process that would be followed by the Board and encouraged the members to pose any questions they may have regarding Officer Vaughn's pending Accidental Disability application.

Discussion ensued relative to Officer Vaughn's disabling injury and subsequent treatments.

Chairman Whalen stated that in view of absence of additional questions from the Board, he would entertain a motion relative to this case.

It was moved by Boardmember Smith, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that pending disability applicant Police Officer Grant Vaughn be referred to a local board physician for an independent medical evaluation.

Chairman Whalen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

14. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 22nd day of May, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK