



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE
DECEMBER 19, 2019**

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 December 19, 2019 at 11:02 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF PRESENT
Bryan Raines, Chairman Chris Brady, City Manager Kurt Castaneda (Fire) Barbara Jones, Citizen Member Stephen Lentz (Police) Ryan A. Russell (Police) Chris Tiller (Fire)	None	Dee Ann Mickelsen, City Clerk Vanessa Wisneski, Sr. Program Asst.
		OTHERS PRESENT
		Heather Ferguson Nitra Hawkins Angela Marshall (Applicant) Thomas McKnight (Applicant) Giovanni Mustaca (Applicant) Holly Nelson David Niederdeppe Teri Overbey Tina Rogers Frank Southard (Applicant)

Chairman Raines excused Boardmember Russell from the beginning of the meeting; he arrived at 11:04 a.m.

Chairman Raines excused Boardmember Jones from the remainder of the meeting; she left at 11:09 a.m.

Chairman Raines excused Boardmember Brady from the remainder of the meeting; he left at 11:39 a.m.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of May 16, 2019.

It was moved by Boardmember Jones, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of May 16, 2019 be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Jones-Lentz-Tiller
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Russell
ABSTAIN – Castaneda-Raines

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present and voting.

2. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of July 18, 2019.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Jones that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of July 18, 2019 be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Jones-Lentz-Raines-Tiller
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Russell
ABSTAIN – Brady-Castaneda

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present and voting.

3. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of September 19, 2019.

It was moved by Boardmember Jones, seconded by Boardmember Castaneda that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of September 19, 2019 be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Castaneda-Jones-Lentz
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Russell
ABSTAIN – Raines-Tiller

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present and voting.

4. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of November 21, 2019.

It was moved by Boardmember Jones, seconded by Boardmember Russell that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of November 21, 2019 be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Castaneda-Jones-Lentz-Russell-Tiller
NAYS – None
ABSENT – None
ABSTAIN – Brady-Raines

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those voting.

5. Consider the appointment of Douglas S. Clouse, M.D. as a Local Board Physician in accordance with A.R.S. §38-859(B).

It was moved by Boardmember Brady, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the appointment of Douglas S. Clouse, M.D. as a Local Board Physician in accordance with A.R.S. §38-859(B) be continued.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Castaneda-Jones-Lentz-Raines-Russell-Tiller

NAYS – None

ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

FIRE PENSION BOARD

6. Acknowledge the termination of the pension benefit of deceased member Harry Buckmister.

It was moved by Boardmember Castaneda, seconded by Boardmember Tiller that the termination of the pension benefit of deceased member Harry Buckmister be acknowledged.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Castaneda-Jones-Raines-Tiller

NAYS – None

ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

7. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Firefighter Giovanni Mustaca.

It was moved by Boardmember Tiller, seconded by Boardmember Castaneda that Accidental Disability Retirement applicant Firefighter Giovanni Mustaca be sent for an Independent Medical Evaluation.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Castaneda-Jones-Raines-Tiller

NAYS – None

ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

8. Certification of full-time Law Enforcement Officers pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 38-842.24(A), 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 applicants Alex Bogdan, Jordan Bravo, Paul Brent, Kristain Fernandez, Carla Gonzalez Verazco, Kayla Helvie, Marissa Keating, Forrest Lanhart, Brandon McCormick, Cody McDonald, Gilberto Rubio, Austin Schweisthal, Brendon Terry, and Kaylene Zak have pre-existing medical conditions.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that Law Enforcement applicants Alex Bogdan, Jordan Bravo, Paul Brent, Brandon Doerner, Kristain Fernandez, Carla Gonzalez Verazco, Kayla Helvie, Marissa Keating, Forrest Lanhart, Brandon McCormick, Cody McDonald, Gilberto Rubio, Austin Schweisthal, Brendon Terry, and Kaylene Zak be certified subject to the pre-existing medical conditions as noted.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Raines-Russell
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

9. Acknowledge receipt of PSPRS plan elections made by new hires.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that receipt of PSPRS plan elections made by new hires be acknowledged.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Raines-Russell
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

10. Discuss and consider the DROP applications of Police Officer Kevin Bingham, Police Officer Derek Samuel, and Police Sergeant Frailan Young.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Russell that the DROP applications of Police Officer Kevin Bingham, Police Officer Derek Samuel, and Police Sergeant Frailan Young be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Raines-Russell
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

11. Approve the elections to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirements of Police Officers Joachim Dankanich and Nicholas Pena.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the elections to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirements of Police Officers Joachim Dankanich and Nicholas Pena be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Raines-Russell
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

12. Discuss and consider the Normal Retirement applications of Assistant Police Chief Sharon Burlingame and Police Officer Jeffrey Neese.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Russell that the Normal Retirement applications of Assistant Police Chief Sharon Burlingame and Police Officer Jeffrey Neese be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Raines-Russell
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

13. Acknowledge the termination of the pension benefit of deceased member David Rhodes.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the termination of the pension benefit of deceased member David Rhodes be acknowledged.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Raines-Russell
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

(The Local Police Pension Board recessed at 11:31 a.m. in order to convene an Executive Session and reconvened the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board meeting at 11:40 a.m.)

14. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Thomas McKnight.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Thomas McKnight be continued.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Lentz-Raines-Russell

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Brady-Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

15. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Frank Southard.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Frank Southard be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Lentz-Raines-Russell

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Brady-Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

16. Discuss and consider the Ordinary Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Angela Marshall.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the Ordinary Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Angela Marshall be continued.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Lentz-Raines-Russell

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Brady-Jones

Chairman Raines declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

13. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 12:02 a.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 19th day of December, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

VW

DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK