



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE
DECEMBER 15, 2022**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards of Mesa, Arizona, was held in Conference Room 170, 20 E. Main Street, 1st Floor, December 15, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Brady, City Manager
Stephen Lentz (Police)
Ryan A. Russell (Police)
Jenny Sheppard (Citizen Member)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dee Ann Mickelsen, Chair
Kurt Castaneda (Fire)
David Silides (Fire)

STAFF PRESENT

Agnes Goodwine, Deputy City Clerk
Vanessa Wisneski, Sr. Program Asst.

OTHERS PRESENT

Lisa Ahrens
Mayra Araujo
Scott Figgins
Melissa Green
Nitra Hawkins
Dave Hicks
Cynthia Kelley
Patrick Kreuzer (Applicant)
Teri Overbey
Erin Pierce
Jane Rainey (Applicant)
Michelle Readinger
Tina Rogers

Acting Chairperson Sheppard excused Chairperson Mickelsen, Boardmember Castaneda, and Boardmember Silides from the meeting.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of November 21, 2022.

Continued due to lack of a quorum.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

2. 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 Kevin Arnold, Aaron Blake, Andrew Cox, Dominic Crady, Andrew Wade, and Lexie Widmer have pre-existing medical conditions.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that Law Enforcement applicants Kevin Arnold, Aaron Blake, Andrew Cox, Dominic Crady, Andrew Wade, and Lexie Widmer be certified subject to the pre-existing medical conditions as noted.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Lentz-Russell-Sheppard

NAYS - None

ABSENT - Mickelsen

Acting Chairperson Sheppard declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Patrick Kreuzer.

Acting Chairperson Sheppard welcomed Police Officer Patrick Kreuzer to the meeting. She stated that the members of the Local Board have reviewed Officer Kreuzer's application and medical records. She encouraged the members to pose any questions they may have regarding Officer Kreuzer's pending Accidental Disability Retirement application.

Discussion ensued relative to Officer Kreuzer's injuries, subsequent treatments, and current condition.

Acting Chairperson Sheppard indicated that in view of the absence of further questions from the Board, she would entertain a motion relative to this case.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that Accidental Disability Retirement applicant, Police Officer Patrick Kreuzer, be sent for Independent Medical Evaluations.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Lentz-Russell-Sheppard

NAYS - None

ABSENT - Mickelsen

Acting Chairperson Sheppard declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

4. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Jane Rainey.

Acting Chairperson Sheppard welcomed Police Officer Jane Rainey to the meeting. She encouraged the members to pose any questions they may have regarding Officer Rainey's pending Accidental Disability Retirement application.

Boardmember Russell stated that the Local Board has reviewed the independent medical evaluations of Dr. Lisa Jones and Glenn Clouse. He indicated that both agree with the findings of Officer Rainey's attending physician, that Officer Rainey's condition was incurred in the performance of her duty, and that her condition totally and permanently prevents her from performing a reasonable range of duties within her job classification.

Acting Chairperson Sheppard indicated that in view of the absence of further questions from the Board, she would entertain a motion relative to this case.

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

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Lentz-Russell-Sheppard

NAYS - None

ABSENT - Mickelsen

Acting Chairperson Sheppard declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

Acting Chairperson Sheppard thanked Police Officer Jane Rainey for her service to the City.

5. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board meeting of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 15th day of December 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK