



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE
OCTOBER 17, 2024**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards of Mesa, Arizona, was held in the upper-level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, October 17, 2024 at 11:01 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dee Ann Mickelsen, Chair
Chris Brady, City Manager
Kurt Castaneda (Fire)
Chris Fifield (Fire)
Marc Heirshberg (Citizen Member)
Nick Lien (Police)
Ryan A. Russell (Police)

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Holly Moseley, City Clerk
Vanessa Liristis, Sr. Program Asst.

OTHERS PRESENT

Felicia Aguirre
Sierra Aulik
Julie Butler
Jessica Campbell
Trevyn Crosser
Yolanda Fierros
Scott Figgins
Melissa Green
Nitra Hawkins
Kelli Holder
Dave Hicks
Cynthia Kelley
Jamie Klimke
Steven Klimke (Applicant)
Michael Lee (Applicant)
Brett Oberly (Applicant)
Teri Overbey
Crystal Parks
Tina Rogers

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of September 19, 2024.

It was moved by Boardmember Heirshberg, seconded by Boardmember Castaneda, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of September 19, 2024 be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Castaneda-Fifield-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

2. Consider the appointments of Robert H. Gross, M.D., James S. Hawkins, M.D., KJ Hippensteel, M.D., David M. Ott, M.D., and Michael A. Wilmlink, M.D. as Local Board Physicians in accordance with A.R.S. §38-859(B).

It was moved by Boardmember Castaneda, seconded by Boardmember Russell, that the appointments of Robert H. Gross, M.D., James S. Hawkins, M.D., KJ Hippensteel, M.D., David M. Ott, M.D., and Michael A. Wilmlink, M.D. as Local Board Physicians in accordance with A.R.S. §38-859(B) be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Castaneda-Fifield-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

The following items on the agenda were discussed out of order, but for the purpose of clarity will remain as listed on the agenda.

FIRE PENSION BOARD

3. Discuss and take action on the re-hire of retired PSPRS member Daniel Grindle to Fire Inspector Trainee.

It was moved by Boardmember Fifield, seconded by Boardmember Castaneda, that the re-hire of retired PSPRS member Daniel Grindle, to Fire Inspector Trainee, be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Castaneda-Fifield-Heirshberg-Mickelsen
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

4. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Fire Captain Steven Klimke.

It was moved by Boardmember Castaneda, seconded by Boardmember Fifield, that Accidental Disability Retirement applicant, Fire Captain Steven Klimke, be sent for an Independent Medical Evaluation.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Castaneda-Fifield-Heirshberg-Mickelsen
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

5. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Firefighter Michael Lee.

It was moved by Boardmember Castaneda, seconded by Boardmember Fifield, that the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Firefighter Michael Lee be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Castaneda-Fifield-Heirshberg-Mickelsen
NAYS - Brady
ABSENT – None

Chairperson Mickelsen declared the motion carried by majority vote.

6. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Fire Engineer Brett Oberly.

It was moved by Boardmember Castaneda, seconded by Boardmember Fifield, that the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Fire Engineer Brett Oberly be denied.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Castaneda-Fifield-Heirshberg-Mickelsen
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Fire Pension Board adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

7. Discuss and take action on the re-hire of retired PSPRS member Christopher Riemersma to Time and Labor Specialist I.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lien, that the re-hire of retired PSPRS member Christopher Riemersma to Time and Labor Specialist I be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

8. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 11:04 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 17th day of October 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK