



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE
SEPTEMBER 16, 2021**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards of Mesa, Arizona, was held in the City Clerk's Conference Room, Suite 150, 20 E. Main Street, September 16, 2021 at 11:02 a.m.

The meeting was conducted via a virtual format.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bryan Raines, Chairman*
Kurt Castaneda (Fire)*

STAFF PRESENT

Dee Ann Mickelsen, City Clerk*
Agnes Goodwine, Deputy City Clerk*
Holly Moseley, Deputy City Clerk*
Vanessa Wisneski, Sr. Program Asst.*

OTHERS PRESENT

Da'Shira Craig*
Nicole Fazzio*
Nitra Hawkins*
Cynthia Kelley*
Trevor Madrid* (Applicant)
Giovanni Mustaca* (Applicant)
Teri Overbey*
Christy Trevino*
Christopher Williams* (Applicant)

(* Participated in the meeting via a virtual format.)

Acting Chair Sheppard excused Chairman Raines and Boardmember Castaneda from the meeting.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of August 12, 2021.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of August 12, 2021, be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Russell-Sheppard-Silides
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Castaneda-Raines

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

FIRE PENSION BOARD

2. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire Pension Board meeting of August 30, 2021.

It was moved by Boardmember Silides, seconded by Boardmember Brady that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire Pension Board meeting of August 30, 2021, be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Sheppard-Silides

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Castaneda-Raines

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

3. Discuss and take action on the DROP applications of Fire Captain Therese Derivan, Fire Captain Sergio Romo, Firefighter Kenneth Tuggle, and Fire Engineer Deena Woods.

It was moved by Boardmember Silides, seconded by Boardmember Brady that the DROP applications of Fire Captain Therese Derivan, Fire Captain Sergio Romo, Firefighter Kenneth Tuggle, and Fire Engineer Deena Woods be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Sheppard-Silides

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Castaneda-Raines

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

4. Approve the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirement of Fire Engineer Daniel O'Brien.

It was moved by Boardmember Silides, seconded by Boardmember Brady that the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirement of Fire Engineer Daniel O'Brien be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Sheppard-Silides

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Castaneda-Raines

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

5. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Fire Captain Trevor Madrid.

Acting Chair Sheppard welcomed Fire Captain Trevor Madrid to the meeting. She advised Mr. Madrid that the members of the Local Board have reviewed the Independent Medical Evaluation (IME) report from Dr. Giraldo Kato. She encouraged Boardmembers to pose any questions they may have regarding Mr. Madrid's pending Accidental Disability Retirement application.

Boardmember Silides advised Mr. Madrid that the Local Board has reviewed the IME report from Dr. Giraldo Kato. He indicated that Dr. Kato agrees with the findings of Mr. Madrid's attending physician, that Mr. Madrid's condition was incurred in the performance of his duty, and that his condition totally and permanently prevents him from performing a reasonable range of duties within his job classification.

It was moved by Boardmember Silides, seconded by Boardmember Brady that the Accidental Disability Retirement of Fire Captain Trevor Madrid be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Sheppard-Silides

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Castaneda-Raines

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

Acting Chair Sheppard thanked Fire Captain Trevor Madrid for his service to the City.

(The Local Fire Pension Board recessed at 11:08 a.m. in order to convene an Executive Session and reconvened the Public Safety Local Fire Pension Board meeting at 11:14 a.m.)

6. Discuss and consider a reevaluation of the Accidental Disability Retirement of Firefighter Giovanni Mustaca.

It was moved by Boardmember Silides, seconded by Boardmember Brady that Accidental Disability Retiree Giovanni Mustaca be sent for an Independent Medical Evaluation for reevaluation as allowed by statute.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Sheppard-Silides

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Castaneda-Raines

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

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Fire Pension Board adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

7. 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 Jordan Baker, Amber Benson, Lucas Cleland, Gregory Cuevas, Cesar Lopez, James Lyons, James Meyer, Trent Meyers, Richard Rebensturf, Justin Reynolds, Benjamin Rusev, Joshua Sylvester, Alani Tufi, and Jonathon West have pre-existing medical conditions.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that Law Enforcement applicants Jordan Baker, Amber Benson, Lucas Cleland, Gregory Cuevas, Cesar Lopez, James Lyons, James Meyer, Trent Meyers, Richard Rebensturf, Justin Reynolds, Benjamin Rusev, Joshua Sylvester, Alani Tufi, and Jonathon West 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 – Raines

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

8. Discuss and take action on the DROP applications of Police Officers Marc Christensen and James Derivan.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Russell that the DROP applications of Police Officers Marc Christensen and James Derivan be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Russell-Sheppard

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Raines

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

9. Discuss and take action on the reclassification of re-hired PSPRS member Frank Hoglund to Code Compliance Supervisor.

Boardmember Russell declared that he was involved in the recruitment process for this position and would abstain from voting due to conflict.

Human Resources Director Teri Overbey stated that Frank Hoglund retired in March of 2017, he was rehired as a Code Compliance Officer I on 9/24/2018, was promoted to Code Compliance Officer II on 5/10/2021, and after competing in an open, competitive recruitment process, he has been offered the position of Code Compliance Supervisor.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Brady that the reclassification of re-hired PSPRS member Frank Hoglund to Code Compliance Supervisor, effective 9/20/2021, be approved as within the statute requirements and that no alternate contribution will need to be paid.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Sheppard

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Raines

ABSTAIN - Russell

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

10. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Christopher Williams.

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

Discussion ensued relative to Officer Williams' injury and subsequent treatments.

Acting Chair Sheppard stated 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 Christopher Williams be sent for Independent Medical Evaluations.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Brady-Lentz-Russell-Sheppard

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Raines

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

11. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 11:33 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 16th day of September 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK