



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA  
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
LOCAL POLICE PENSION BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board of Mesa, Arizona, was held in the Study Session Room, 20 E. Main Street on February 10, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dee Ann Mickelsen, Chair  
Scott Butler, City Manager  
Marc Heirshberg (Citizen Member)  
Nick Lien (Police)  
Ryan A. Russell (Police)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**STAFF PRESENT**

Holly Moseley, City Clerk  
Steven Aguilar, Deputy City Clerk  
Vera Warhurst, Sr. Program Asst.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mary Chenery (Applicant)  
Quentin Gerbich (Applicant)  
Nitra Hawkins  
Cynthia Kelley\*  
Rae Lynn McNellis  
Teri Overbey  
Nate Peterson  
Marie Reece  
Tina Rogers  
Colleen Wisdom

(\*Participated telephonically)

Chairperson Mickelsen conducted a roll call.

Chairperson Mickelsen excused Boardmember Butler from the beginning of the meeting, he arrived at 2:02 p.m.

**POLICE PENSION BOARD**

Chairperson Mickelsen called to order the Local Police Pension Board at 2:00 p.m.

**1. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application for Police Officer Mary Chenery.**

Chairperson Mickelsen welcomed Police Officer Mary Chenery to the meeting. She stated that the members of the Local Police Pension Board have received Officer Chenery's application and medical records. She encouraged the members to pose any questions that they may have regarding Officer Chenery's Accidental Disability Retirement Application.

Boardmember Russell reviewed the incident and asked Officer Chenery to give a timeline of her treatment. Discussion ensued regarding Officer Chenery's injuries,

subsequent treatments, current condition, prognosis, and whether additional treatment has been recommended.

Boardmember Russell stated that it is not up to the Board to require anyone to undergo additional surgeries. He also noted that, while the medical records provided do not specifically state that the applicant is medically stationary or has reached maximum medical improvement, the treatment history and timeline clearly reflect the extent of treatment received to date.

In response to a question from Boardmember Lien, Officer Cheney clarified that she received two medical recommendations to have a total hip replacement.

Chairperson Mickelsen 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 Lien, that the Accidental Disability Application for Police Officer Cheney be sent for an Independent Medical Evaluation.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Butler-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell

NAYS – None

ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

2. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application for Police Sergeant Quentin Gerbich

Chairperson Mickelsen welcomed Police Sergeant Quentin Gerbich to the meeting. She stated that the Local Board has reviewed the application, timeline, and medical records presented.

In response to a question from Chairperson Mickelsen about a pre-existing condition listed on his pre-hire paperwork, Sergeant Gerbich informed the Board that he was not injured at his previous job and had no injuries or surgeries prior to being hired by the Mesa Police Department.

Chairperson Mickelsen asked the Board if they had any questions regarding Sergeant Gerbich's application.

Boardmember Russell indicated that the medical records and timeline provided to the Local Board for review sufficiently documented Sergeant Gerbich's injuries and subsequent treatments.

Boardmember Lien asked a clarifying question related to the number of injuries sustained by Sergeant Gerbich to which he answered.

Chairperson Mickelsen 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 Lien, that the Accidental Disability Retirement Application of Police Sergeant Gerbich be sent for an Independent Medical Evaluation.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

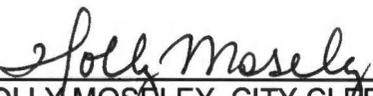
AYES – Butler-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell  
NAYS – None  
ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

3. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 2:10 p.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 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2026. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

  
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HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK