



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA  
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE  
FEBRUARY 16, 2023**

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, February 16, 2023 at 11:05 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dee Ann Mickelsen, Chair

**STAFF PRESENT**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mayra Araujo  
Eric Butler (Applicant)  
Marisa Butler  
Jennifer Cooper  
Nicole Fazzio  
Scott Figgins  
Chris Hayes  
Nitra Hawkins  
Dave Hicks  
Cynthia Kelley  
Jared Organ (Applicant)  
Katie Organ  
Teri Overbey  
Erin Pierce  
Tina Rogers  
Danna Taylor (Applicant)  
Richard Taylor  
Christy Trevino

(\* Participated telephonically.)

Acting Chairperson Sheppard excused Chairperson Mickelsen from the meeting.

**1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of December 15, 2022.**

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Brady, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of December 15, 2022 be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

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

Acting Chairperson Sheppard 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 January 19, 2023.

It was moved by Boardmember Brady, seconded by Boardmember Castaneda, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of January 19, 2023 be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

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

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

**FIRE PENSION BOARD**

(The Local Fire Pension Board recessed at 11:13 a.m. in order to convene an Executive Session and reconvened the meeting at 11:32 a.m.)

3. Discuss and take action on the Temporary Disability Retirement application of Firefighter Danna Taylor.

It was moved by Boardmember Castaneda, seconded by Boardmember Silides, that the Temporary Disability Retirement application of Firefighter Danna Taylor be continued until the next Local Board meeting to allow Ms. Taylor to obtain additional records.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Castaneda-Sheppard-Silides  
NAYS – None  
ABSENT – Mickelsen

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

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Fire Pension Board adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

**POLICE PENSION BOARD**

**4. 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.**

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that the certification of full-time Law Enforcement Officers 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.

**5. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Eric Butler.**

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Eric Butler 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.

**6. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Jared Organ.**

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Jared Organ 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.

**7. Adjournment.**

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 11:12 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 16th day of February 2023. 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