



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – FIRE/POLICE
NOVEMBER 21, 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, November 21, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kurt Castaneda (Fire)

STAFF PRESENT

Holly Moseley, City Clerk
Ann Marie Fantasia, Sr. Program Asst.
Vanessa Wisneski, Sr. Program Asst.

OTHERS PRESENT

Nicole Fazzio
Scott Figgins
Dave Hicks
Cynthia Kelley*
Jared Organ (Applicant)
Katie Organ
Scott Peloquin (Applicant)

(* Participated telephonically.)

Chairperson Mickelsen excused Boardmember Castaneda from the meeting.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of October 20, 2022.

Boardmember Russell stated that he was absent from the October 20, 2022 meeting, yet he is listed as speaking on Item 8.

City Clerk staff thanked Boardmember Russell for pointing out the error and advised that the error will be corrected to list Boardmember Lentz who spoke on that item.

It was moved by Boardmember Sheppard, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of October 20, 2022 be approved with the noted correction.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

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

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

FIRE PENSION BOARD

2. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Fire Captain Scott Peloquin.

Chairperson Mickelsen welcomed Fire Captain Scott Peloquin to the meeting. She stated that the members of the Local Board have reviewed the IME report from Dr. Giraldo Kato. She indicated that Dr. Kato agrees with the findings of Mr. Peloquin's attending physician, that Mr. Peloquin'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. She encouraged the members to pose any questions they may have regarding Mr. Peloquin's pending Accidental Disability Retirement application.

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

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

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Mickelsen-Sheppard-Silides

NAYS - None

ABSENT - Castaneda

Chairperson Mickelsen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Fire Pension Board adjourned at 8:03 a.m.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

3. 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 Dallin Ashcroft, Angila Gomez, Austin Lara, Logan Magee, Hayden Minarchin, Bradley Stockton, Jose Toledo, Tod Workman, and Zachary Zastrow have pre-existing medical conditions.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Russell, that Law Enforcement applicants Dallin Ashcroft, Angila Gomez, Austin Lara, Logan Magee, Hayden Minarchin, Bradley Stockton, Jose Toledo, Tod Workman, and Zachary Zastrow be certified subject to the pre-existing medical conditions as noted.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Lentz-Mickelsen-Russell-Sheppard

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

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

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

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

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 Lentz, that Accidental Disability Retirement applicant, Police Officer Jared Organ, be sent for Independent Medical Evaluations.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brady-Lentz-Mickelsen-Russell-Sheppard

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

Carried unanimously.

5. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 8:06 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 21st day of November 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK