

**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LOCAL FIRE AND POLICE PENSION BOARD MEETING
ACTION MINUTES
JUNE 19, 2025**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Board of Mesa, Arizona, was held in Conference Room 170 W, 20 E. Main Street, 1st Floor, June 19, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kurt Castaneda (Fire)

STAFF PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Kathryn Baillie
Nitra Hawkins
Laura Henson (Applicant)
Dave Hicks
Cynthia Kelley*
Emily Nichols
Brett Oberly (Applicant)
Crystal Parks
Carrie Pile
Marie Reece
Tina Rogers

(*Participated telephonically)

Chairperson Mickelsen conducted a roll call.

Chairperson Mickelsen excused Kurt Castaneda from the entire meeting.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of April 17, 2025.

It was moved by Boardmember Heirshberg, seconded by Boardmember Fifield, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Fire and Police Pension Boards meeting of April 17, 2025, be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Butler-Fifield-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell

NAYS - None

ABSENT – Castaneda

Chairperson Mickelsen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. Acknowledge the appointment of City Manager Scott Butler to the Public Safety Local Board's position serving as the head of the merit system, following the retirement of Chris Brady.

The Board acknowledgment the appointment of City Manager Scott Butler to the Public Safety Local Pension Board.

3. Approval to authorize additional staff to sign Public Safety Pension Retirement System related documents.

It was moved by Boardmember Heirshberg, seconded by Boardmember Russell, to approve Steven Aguilar and Vera Warhurst as authorized signers for Public Safety Pension Retirement System related documents.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Butler-Fifield-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell

NAYS - None

ABSENT – Castaneda

Chairperson Mickelsen declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

FIRE PENSION BOARD

Chairperson Mickelsen called to order the Local Fire Pension Board at 11:02 a.m.

4. Acknowledge receipt of PSPRS plan elections made by new hires.

Receipt of PSPRS plan elections made by new hires was acknowledged. (**See attachment 1**)

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

It was moved by Boardmember Fifield, seconded by Boardmember Butler, that the Accidental Disability Retirement Application of Fire Engineer Brett Oberly be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Butler-Fifield-Heirshberg -Mickelsen

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 11:04 a.m.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

Chairperson Mickelsen called to order the Local Police Pension Board at 11:04 a.m.

6. Approval of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board meeting of May 21, 2025.

It was moved by Boardmember Heirshberg, seconded by Boardmember Lien, that the minutes of the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board meeting of May 21, 2025, be approved.
Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Butler-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell

NAYS - None

ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

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.

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

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Butler-Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell

NAYS - None

ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

8. Discuss and take action on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Sergeant Laura Henson.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lien, that the Accidental Disability Retirement Application of Police Sergeant Laura Henson be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Butler -Heirshberg-Lien-Mickelsen-Russell

NAYS - None

ABSENT – None

Carried unanimously.

8. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 11:09 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 19th day of June 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK