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Public Safety Personnel Retirement System
Local Pension Board Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2019

PURSUANT TO A.R.S. 38.431.02, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT (“SFMD”) PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (“PSPRS”), THE LOCAL PENSION BOARD HELD A MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019. THE MEETING WAS HELD AT THE SUPERSTITION FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT’S ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, AT 565 N. IDAHO ROAD, APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA. THE MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND BEGAN AT 4:00 P.M.

- A. Chairman Larry Strand called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Larry Strand.
- C. Roll Call showed Local Board Chairman Larry Strand, Board Member Ron Olm and Board Member Charles Hanson were present. Board Member Ruben Briones attended via conference call. Also present were Board Secretary Sherry Mueller, Administrative Services Director Anna Butel, and Fire Chief Mike Farber.

1. Review and possible approval of the January 22, 2019 Local Pension Board meeting minutes.

Motion by Local Board Member Ron Olm to approve the January 22, 2019 Local Pension Board minutes. **Seconded** by Local Board Member Charles Hanson. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays. **Motion passed.**

2. Call to Public.

None.

3. Discussion and possible approval of Paul Gruetzmacher’s application to participate in the DROP program entering on 6/1/2019.

Firefighter Paul Gruetzmacher has applied to enter the DROP program on 6/1/2019. He has completed all the necessary paperwork.

Paul must terminate employment with SFMD no later than 6/30/2024. Paul started with SFMD on 8/13/2001 and enters the DROP with 20.148 years of service.

Motion by Local Board Member Briones to approve Paul Gruetzmacher's application to enter the DROP on 6/1/2019 and acknowledge that Paul must terminate employment with Superstition Fire & Medical District no later than 6/30/2024. **Seconded** by Local Board Member Ron Olm and Charles Hanson.

Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays. **Motion passed.**

4. Discussion and possible approval of new hire retirement membership in to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System.

Participation in the PSPRS requires that the Local Board approve new membership and note if there are any pre-existing medical conditions as employees are hired. Currently, HR staff reviews the medical reports and advises the Local Board of any pre-existing conditions. Human Resources confirmed that none of the four new hires has a pre-existing condition.

Motion by Local Board Member Ron Olm to *approve* Firefighters Christopher Wohlforth, Mark Nelson, John Rankin and Matthew Leon with a start date of February 25, 2019, all four with no pre-existing conditions. **Seconded** by Board Member Charles Hanson.

Vote 4 ayes, 0 Nays. **Motion passed.**

5. Discussion and possible action to review the date / time of the next SFMD Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Local Board Meeting.

In accordance with ARS §38-847 (3), a local pension board meeting will be held at least twice annually, otherwise scheduled as needed. In the absence of a quorum (consisting of three member, at least one of whom shall be one of the members elected by secret ballot) for a scheduled meeting, the Chairperson or any two members of the Board may reschedule the meeting as a special meeting. Any meeting may be continued to a later date.

The following date is recommended for the next Local Board Meeting:

- **Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.**

In accordance with ARS §38-847 (3), a local pension board meeting will be held at least twice annually, otherwise scheduled as needed. In the absence of a quorum (consisting of three member, at least one of whom shall be one of the members elected by secret ballot) for a scheduled meeting, the Chairperson or any two members of the Board may reschedule the meeting as a special meeting. Any meeting may be continued to a later date.

Motion by Board Member Ruben Briones to confirm Tuesday, September 17, 2019 as the date of the next scheduled Local Pension Board Meeting. **Seconded** by Board Member Ron Olm.

Vote 4 ayes, 0 Nays. **Motion passed**

6. *Adjourn.*

Motion by Board Member Ruben Briones to adjourn the meeting at 4:04 p.m. **Seconded** by Board Member Charles Hanson.

Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays. **Motion passed.**

Board Approval:

Preliminary minutes mailed to PSPRS on May 15, 2019.



Board Chairman Larry Strand

Sherry Mueller

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