

MINUTES
Avra Valley Fire District
Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board

Meeting of Friday, June 6, 2014
Avra Valley Fire District, 15790 W. Silverbell, Marana, AZ
9:00 A.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bauer at 8:58 AM. In attendance: Chairman Bauer, Chief Delfs, Member Bill Scott, Member Bob Jones (by phone), Member Tony Donaldson, Member Chris George and Secretary Lorrie Palmquist .

2. APPROVAL OF DAVID McEVROY AS ATTORNEY FOR THE LOCAL PSPRS BOARD

Chief Delfs addressed the Board stating that Mr. McEvoy has been the attorney for the City of Tucson Local Police and Fire Boards for 25 years. State statute requires that the attorney for the local board must be independent of the employer. Chief Delfs recommended that the Local Pension Board retain Mr. McEvoy as Counsel. His rate is \$250/hour and he is willing to work as needed, attend meetings or call in as necessary. Tony Donaldson motioned to retain David McEvoy as attorney for the Local Pension Board. Chris George seconded. ***Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.***

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes from the Meeting of February 25, 2014

Bill Scott motioned to approve the minutes from the Local Pension Board meeting held February 25, 2014. Tony Donaldson seconded. ***Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.***

4. APPLICATION FOR NORMAL RETIREMENT

A. JP Zuniga, retirement May 30, 2014

Bill Scott motioned to accept the application for normal retirement from firefighter JP Zuniga. Tony Donaldson seconded. ***Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.***

5. APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY PENSION

The Local Pension Board may vote to go into Executive Session for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(2) and discussion or consultation for legal advice with attorney staff pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A (3 & 4)).

Chief Delfs addressed the Board stating that Agenda items 5 and 6 are no longer needed because Captain Brian Lassen submitted his letter of resignation effective June 5, 2014.

6. APPLICATION FOR ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT

See memo on Agenda item 5 above.

7. RESIGNATION FROM SERVICE IN THE AVRA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT AND DIRECTION REGARDING RETURN OF MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

A. Captain Brian Lassen

Chief Delfs stated that with permission from the Local Board, all paperwork will be submitted to Phoenix on Monday to expedite the retirement process for Captain Lassen. Tony Donaldson motioned to accept the resignation letter from Captain Lassen and authorize staff to begin the retirement process. Chris George seconded. ***Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.***

8. RETENTION OF LOCAL BOARD PSYCHOLOGIST

Direction to Chief Delfs to hire an independent medical examiner who is qualified to do psychological evaluations on behalf of the local board or to forward the accidental disability questionnaire to the IME who performs the IME on behalf of the worker's compensation carrier.

Chief Delfs stated that he has been unable to locate an independent psychologist in the Tucson area. He will continue looking, and possibly search in Phoenix.

9. FUND INFORMATION

Chief Delfs commented on the recent ruling of SB1609 as unconstitutional. He stated that the Professional Firefighters Association has been instrumental in developing legislation which will address a funding mechanism for retiree cost of living with the goal of putting the system on a solid foundation. This legislation is going to the Governor in hopes of initiating a Special Session to refer the issue to the November ballot.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Bill Scott motioned to adjourn the Local Board meeting. Tony Donaldson seconded. ***Motion carried unanimously, 5:0. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 AM.***

Approved: Eric Neilson

Date: 8/26/15