

## AVRA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

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# MINUTES MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT BOARD

Meeting Date: Thursday, January 23, 2025

**Meeting Time**: 3:30 PM

**Location**: 21021 E. Homestead Drive, Red Rock, AZ 85145

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Castaneda called the meeting to order at 3:32 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

3. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF A QUORUM

Board Members in Attendance O

Others In Attendance
Counsel Steve Bosse, by Zoom

Absent/Excused

Chairman Castaneda, present by phone

Chief Lyle Kennedy Captain Tony Donaldson

Mr. Cody Bren

Mrs. Lorrie Palmquist Chief Delfs, Secretary

- 4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC NONE
- 5. EXECUTIVE SESSION NONE

#### 6. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of *Minutes* from the meeting September 10, 2024

Separation of Service:

Christian Remington 09-17-24 Christopher Wright 09-21-24 Emma Laird 10-17-24

New Hires:

	<b>Pre-Existing Conditions</b>	<u>Date</u>
Firefighter Marissa Hillebert	No	10-15-24
Paramedic Emma Layton	No	10-24-24
Paramedic Erik Klingenberg	No	11-25-24

Chief Kennedy motioned to approve the consent agenda. Captain Donaldson seconded. Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.

7. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY APPLICATION OF FIREFIGHTER RICKY GILLMORE AND TO CONSIDER IF THERE IS EVIDENCE TO ENGAGE AN OCCUPATIONAL WELLNESS PHYSICIAN WHO WILL CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EVALUATION AND OPINE ON WHETHER THE INJURY IS (A) TOTAL AND PERMANENT AND (B) PREVENTS MR. GILLMORE FROM PERFORMING A REASONABLE RANGE OF DUTIES WITHIN HIS POSITION CLASSIFICATION.



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Chief Delfs addressed the Board stating that Captain Gillmore submitted an accidental disability application due to an injury sustained during training in March 2024 and that he has been on workers compensation since that time. Counsel Bosse stated that it is appropriate to send him to Dr. Thrasher for an independent medical exam. Chief Kennedy motioned to accept the accidental disability application for Captain Ricky Gillmore and to send him for an independent medical evaluation. Captain Donaldson seconded. Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.

## 8. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FY26 PENSION FUNDING POLICY

Chief Delfs addressed the Board sharing that State law requires the District to annually post to the website our plan for funding our pensions. Our current funding ratio is 90%, which is one of the better ratios in the State. Chief Kennedy motioned to approve the FY26 pension funding policy. Captain Donaldson seconded. Motion carried unanimously, 5:0.

#### 9. BRIEF UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE NEW STARS REPORTING PORTAL

Chief Delfs addressed the Board commenting that Ms. Palmquist has been attending regular meetings regarding the rollout of the upcoming STARS system. The projected go live date is July 1, 2025. This item is for informational purposes only, and there is no action required by the Board.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

Chief Kennedy motioned to adjourn the meeting. Captain Donaldson seconded. Motion carried unanimously, 5:0. Meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM.