

# MINUTES

Avra Valley Fire District

**Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board**

**Meeting of Tuesday, February 25, 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 Mr. Bill Scott at 9:35 am. In attendance:

Chief Delfs, Member Bill Scott, Member Bob Jones (by phone), Member Tony Donaldson,  
And Secretary Lorrie Palmquist .

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. April 4, 2013 Minutes for approval

B. Separation of Service from the Avra Valley Fire District

a. Benjamin Reedy - January 23, 2014

b. Peter Norton – February 7, 2014

C. Transfer of Credited Service and Member contributions

a. Jeremy Beatty – Member contributions of \$59,662.10 from Drexel Heights

b. Andrew O’Crotty – Member contributions in the amount of \$2,754.83 to the Tucson Fire Department. Total prior years of service 0.8060.

D. Additon of New Personnel

a. Eric House Jan 27, 2014 No pre-existing medical conditions per Dr. Peate

b. Israel Martinez – Feb 18, 2014 No pre-existing medical conditions per Dr. Peate

Having no discussion, additions or corrections, Member Tony Donaldson motioned to approve the entire “Consent Agenda”. The motion was seconded by Mr. Scott. ***Motion carried unanimously, 3:0.***

3. APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY PENSION NONE

4. APPLICATIONFOR DISABILITY RETIREMENTS NONE

5. MEMBER ELECTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN NONE

## 6. FUND INFORMATION

Chief Delfs addressed the Board, stating that the most recent PSPRS newsletter was included in the Board packet. Administration will continue to email current newsletters as they are received.

The most recent update for Avra Valley is as of June 30, 2013, and reports 26 active members and 3 retired members. The employer contribution rate in effect at that date was 12.64% and the employee contribution rate was 10.35%. Currently, the Arizona legislature has vetoed AZ SB1609, ruling it unconstitutional. Therefore, retiree raises will be reinstated and the \$44 million not paid out previously will be refunded. Also, there is current concern over the rising employee contribution rates. To date, there is no ruling on these employee rates, but most likely they will be rolled back, reducing the amount withheld from employee paychecks. Az Representative Kavanagh has introduced a legislation to be placed on the November ballot which could allow the state to overturn recent rulings. As a result, decisions regarding future benefits are in the hands of the Az legislature instead of under the State Constitution. The Arizona PSPRS Fund is currently 57.1% funded, but that number is expected to drop because of the recent Supreme Court ruling which overturned SB 1609. Funding levels are expected to erode even further as legislation progresses over these issues.

Chief Delfs called for the Board to authorize administration forwarding copies of meeting minutes to the State PSPRS Board. All in attendance expressed general consensus.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Scott motioned to adjourn the meeting. Member Donaldson seconded. ***Motion carried unanimously, 3:0.*** Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.

APPROVED ON: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_