# FRY FIRE DISTRICT MINUTES OF MEETING PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD November 18, 2015

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The annual meeting of the Fry Fire Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Art Nash.

#### II. ATTENDANCE

Board Members in Attendance: Arthur Nash

**Scott Price** 

Michael Hemesath Mark Savage

Maria Gordon, Secretary

Others in Attendance: Bill Miller, Fire Chief

David Stoddard, Applicant

#### III. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Nash opened the call to the public at 6:30 p.m.

There was no one to appear before the board at this time.

Call to the public closed at 6:30 p.m.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 21, 2015

Scott made a motion to accept the minutes of October 21, 2015, as written. Michael seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0 Motion Carried

## V. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING MEDICAL RETIREMENT FOR DAVID STODDARD

Maria informed the pension board that the board must take a vote in an open meeting to accept David Stoddard's application for a medical retirement and allow the process to move forward. The independent medical physician being utilized is Dr. Lee Goldberg, who was recommended to the board by Dr. Peate, the District's physician.

Mark made a motion to accept the application as David provided enough information to move the process forward. Mike seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0 Motion Carried

#### VI. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PSPRS BOARD ATTORNEY

Maria explained that representatives of PSPRS recommend that the pension board have an attorney to represent the pension board, and be in attendance when any vote is taken regarding approval or denial of the retirement request. Additionally, Maria explained that the attorney should not be the same one that represents the District as this may be a conflict of interest. Maria stated that Chief Miller suggested Nathan Williams, a local attorney who also is the City of Sierra Vista's attorney, as he has an understanding of PSPRS, as well as being local, thus saving travel costs to the District.

Mark asked how well versed Mr. Williams is in PSPRS and whether or not he was interested in representing us. Maria stated that she hasn't called yet, as the board needed to vote first, and she assumes he knows PSPRS due to representing the city. Mike stated that Mr. Williams knows the pension system and is a good attorney. There were no other suggestions for attorneys given during this time.

Mike made a motion that the board approves Nathan Williams as the attorney of record, pending his acceptance. Scott seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-1 abstention (Mark abstained) Motion Carried

### VII. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Maria will notify the board members when the report from Dr. Goldberg is received so that we can schedule our next meeting to vote on the application.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Maria seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

DATED THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.

Maria a Gordon (!)

Fry Fire District

Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board