

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT POLICE BOARD, HELD JANUARY 31, 2025 AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING POLICE DEPT MEETING ROOM, 199 S 6TH ST., COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

The meeting was called to order by Member Murie at 1:12 pm. Roll call was taken as follows:

Board Members Present

Kirsten Lennon, Secretary
Chad Sinn, Police Dept
Kevin Murie, Police Department
Kent Hellman, Civilian

Board Members Absent

Mayor Shaw, Chairman
Ron Collis, Civilian

Approval of Police Board Minutes – the minutes from the December 12, 2023 meeting and the second meeting on December 12, 2023 were discussed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Member Murie and seconded by Member Hellman. The vote was carried unanimously in favor of approving the minutes

Actuaries – a motion was made by Member Murie to amend the agenda to include approval of the FY 06/30/2024 Actuaries for the Police Department. The motion was seconded by Chad Sinn and carried unanimously in favor of adding the Actuaries to the agenda. The Actuaries were then discussed with the Secretary informing the Police Board that the Police retirement fund is no longer fully funded. Despite bonding to pay down the unfunded liability the Police fund is now only 92.7% funded. It was stated that the City should look into prepaying the annual employer contribution and might need to look at putting additional funds into the Police Department retirement to get back to 100% funding level. That this would need to be a discussion in the future. A motion was made by Member Murie to accept the Actuaries. The motion was seconded by Member Hellman and it was carried unanimously in favor of acceptance.

Induction of new Police Officers – the discussion to accept new employees to the Police was had and it was discussed that no new employees can file for disability retirements on pre-existing conditions. The new members were listed as:

Connor Rafferty – 05/09/204
Rafael Quintero-Fimbres 12-15-2024
Tyler Bond – 11-18-2024

A motion was made by Member Murie and seconded by Chad Sinn. The vote was carried unanimously to accept the new members.

Re-hire and acceptance of the alternative contribution rate for hiring a retired officer - A motion was made to amend the agenda by adding the rehiring of Roger Scarim 06/30/2024 and to include Mr. Scarim in the discussion and approval of the rehiring of retired members. Kevin Murie move to amend the agenda and Chad Sinn moved to second the change. The vote to amend the agenda was then carried unanimously.

The discussion on rehiring Brian Freudenthal on 11/12/2024 and Roger Scarim on 06/30/2024 and accepting the alternative contribution rate for these members took place. A motion to accept these members was made by Kevin Murie and seconded by Chad Sinn. The vote was carried unanimously in favor of accepting the retired members.

Call to Public- The call to the public was made.

Adjournment

There being no further business Member Murie moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:20 pm and it was seconded by Member Sinn and the vote was carried unanimously in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:



Kirsten Lennon, Secretary