

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF SEDONA POLICE DEPARTMENT LOCAL RETIREMENT BOARD**  
**VULTEE CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.**

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

**Present:** Peter Furman, Board Member  
Kenneth Jepson, Board Member  
Lieutenant Lucas Wilcoxson, Board Member and acting Chair

**Absent:** Board Chair John Martinez was excused absent. Sergeant Bill Hunt was unexcused absent.

**Public present:** None

**Staff present:** Board Secretary JoAnne Cook, and Payroll Technician Kris Capite

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll was taken, all members present as indicated above.

2. Approval of October 18, 2018 Minutes

**MOTION: Board Member Pete Furman moved to approve the October 18, 2018 minutes. Acting Chair Lieutenant Wilcoxson seconded. VOTE: Motion carried. Three (3) for and zero (0) opposed.**

3. Call to Public

There were no members of the public in attendance.

4. Acknowledgment of resignation:

- a. Chief of Police David McGill, effective November 1, 2018

**Pete Furman thanked Chief McGill for his service.**

**MOTION: Acting Chair Lieutenant Wilcoxson moved to acknowledge the resignation of David McGill from the City of Sedona effective November 1, 2018. Board member Ken Jepson seconded the motion. VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. Three (3) for and zero (0) opposed.**

5. Acknowledgment of return to work retiree:

- a. J. Ronald Wheeler, effective December 13, 2018

**Board member Pete Furman asked the board secretary if the paperwork was in order. She stated yes. He asked if the board needed to review if the board needed to review the disclosure of pre-existing conditions. JoAnne stated that the Chief is not currently a member of PSPRS, therefore there was nothing to approve.**

**MOTION: Board member Ken Jepson acknowledge the City of Sedona will remit the alternate contribution rate for Interim Police Chief J. Ron Wheeler as specified by statute effective December 13, 2018. This remittance shall ensure that the City of Sedona is following the provisions of A.R.S 38-834.05 and ARS 38-849 since Wheeler is retired from another police agency. Acting Chair Lieutenant Wilcoxson seconded the motion. VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. Three (3) for and zero (0) opposed.**

6. Approval of retirement:

- a. Sergeant William Knuth, effective February 28, 2019

Lieutenant Wilcoxson asked if Sergeant Knuth has submitted his paperwork. JoAnne stated yes, and advised the estimated monthly retirement benefit, based on Sergeant Knuth's highest years, his retirement date of February 28<sup>th</sup>, to be approximately \$3,175.18.

**MOTION:** Board member Pete Furman moved to approve William Knuth's retirement from the Sedona Police Department and direct the board secretary to submit the required documents to PSPRS. Board Member Ken Jepson seconded. **VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously. Three (3) for and zero (0) opposed.

7. PSPRS Legislative update SB 1609 Rollback Bill

JoAnne provided the background regarding and the notification employers received to stop all DROP contributions effective January 1, 2019, and advised that payroll staff stopped the payments the beginning of January. Ken Jepson asked if Jackie McQuaid is the only DROP member the City currently has. JoAnne stated yes. Ken what caused the legislative decision. Kris Capite said that she believed the previous litigation regarding Hall/Parker to be the reason, and that PSPRS made the decision to prevent further lawsuits. Kris advised that she has not heard from PSPRS regarding the amount of the refund, and she explained that the employer would refund the money and then receive a credit from PSPRS.

8. Discussion/possible action on future meeting/agenda items

Acting Chair Lieutenant Wilcoxson asked the board secretary if there were any upcoming topics. JoAnne advised the board that the City will be hiring a new Chief, she stated that the actuarial report will be released, and a meeting will need to be held for review. Lieutenant Wilcoxson made the board aware of a Catherine Beers and her anticipated graduation from the police academy. Pete Furman asked how many potential retirees there are. Lieutenant Wilcoxson provided names of potential retirees. Member Furman asked how many positions are currently open. Lieutenant Wilcoxson stated there is an open position to replace Sergeant Knuth and cannot be filled until the Sergeant's retirement. Lieutenant advised that Catherine Beers would potentially replace Wilfredo Lopez's position. Ken Jepson asked if a date is set for police chief interviews. JoAnne stated that she was not aware of a date. Pete Furman asked if there will be a future meeting focused on the financials. JoAnne advised that she will schedule a meeting and invite the finance director once the actuarial report is released. Lieutenant Wilcoxson asked the group if there was any information that was overlooked that needed to be addressed. There was not.

9. Adjournment

**Without objection Lieutenant Wilcoxson adjourned the meeting at 9:13 a.m.**

I certify that the above is a true and correct summary of the meeting of the City of Sedona Police Department Local Retirement Board held on February 6, 2019.



JoAnne Cook, Local Board Secretary

Date: 2-06-2019