



# Oracle Fire District

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## PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT LOCAL BOARD

Minutes of Meeting: May 14, 2020, 8am

*Approved September 9, 2020*

### 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 2. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Acosta at 8:02. Present were: Board Members Tyler McGovern, Bob Elder, Tom Nelson, and Secretary Tina Acosta. Also present were OFD Firefighters, Joseph Marasa and Captain Paul Farrell.

### 3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

BM Elder made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 20, 2019 meeting. This was seconded by BM Nelson. All were in favor. Motion passed.

### 4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S DETERMINATION FOR NEW FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER JOSEPH MARASA

The determination by Dr. Caryl Gorman of WellAmerica, in Tucson, on March 6, 2020, regarding the medical examination for new hire Joseph Marasa, was read aloud to the board members at the meeting for review and discussion. The document states that Mr. Marasa has no restrictions on respirator use, was administered a TB test, passed the physical evaluations, noted the pre-existing condition of needed vision correction with glasses or contact lenses.

BM McGovern motioned to accept the determination that Joseph Marasa is fit for duty. BM Elder seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

### 5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOGNIZE NEW PSPRS MEMBER JOSEPH MARASA, WHO IS A TIER 3 MEMBER, REPLACING THE FULL-TIME POSITION (HELD BY NICOLAS BRENING) LEFT VACANT IN JANUARY 2020, WITH WITHHOLDINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO BEGIN ON JUNE 1, 2020

Secretary Acosta explained that full-time firefighter Nicolas Brening resigned from OFD on December 31, 2019 to pursue employment at another fire district and that Joseph Marasa was hired to fill the full-time position on March 3, 2020. Therefore, the withholdings from Marasa's gross pay and the contributions to be made by OFD will begin in the payperiod including June 1, 2020.

BM Nelson made a motion to recognize Joseph Marasa as the new PSPRS full-time firefighter with OFD. This was seconded by BM McGovern. All were in favor. Motion passed.



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**6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOGNIZE THE 2% PRE-FUNDING OF THE OFD EMPLOYER PORTION OF PSPRS CONTRIBUTIONS, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE OFD FIRE BOARD ON APRIL 8, 2020**

Secretary Acosta explained to the board that the OFD employer contribution rates, determined in the 2019 Arizona PSPRS actuarial report, for Tier 1 is 17.57%, and will be increased by 2% to 17.93%. For Tier 3, the rate determined in the report is 14.72%, to be increased by 2% to 15.01%.

BM McGovern motioned to recognize the 2% increase in funding and BM Elder seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO FILL THE OFD PSPRS BOARD POSITIONS OF CAPTAIN TYLER MCGOVERN AND PUBLIC MEMBER TOM NELSON, WHO'S TERMS END AT THIS MEETING, AND TO ADMINISTER THE OATHS OF OFFICE**

Secretary Acosta announced the result of the secret ballot voting amongst the OFD PSPRS members, which was newly recognized OFD PSPRS member Joseph Marasa. Public member Tom Nelson elected to serve another 4-year term.

Both Marasa and Nelson were given the Oath of Office by outgoing board member McGovern.

**8. ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING**

No items were noted.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

BM Nelson made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by BM Elder. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15am

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Tina Acosta - Admin. Manager, PSPRS Local Board Secretary, Oracle Fire District



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