

HELLSGATE FIRE DISTRICT
Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board
NOTICE OF MEETING

January 27, 2025

*Pursuant to ARS §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to members of the PSPRS Governing Board and to the public that the Governing Board will meet in Public Session on **Monday, January 27, 2025 at 9:30 AM** in the Training Room of Station 21, 80 S. Walters Lane, Star Valley, AZ 85541. Members of the Fire Board and legal counsel may attend either in person or by telephone conference call.*

To join the meeting via zoom: Meeting ID 864 986 5085.

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During this meeting, Board Members may ask questions about, discuss, consider, approve, and/or take possible action on any listed Agenda item and any variable related thereto unless specifically otherwise indicated (such as under Public Forum). HFD may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, on any agenda item pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice with the Fire District Attorney on the matter(s) set forth in the agenda. **All Agenda items are set for possible action.**

Public Input: Citizens may make oral comments on specific Agenda items or any topic relevant to District business during the public forum. Citizens may submit written comments of any length to the Fire Board. Notice: Public comment is encouraged, but it is important that everyone demonstrate the appropriate decorum, courtesy and respect during the meeting. Please treat your fellow citizens with courtesy. Outbursts, interruptions, and personal attacks will not be tolerated.

- AGENDA -

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. ROLL CALL OF PSPRS BOARD MEMBERS**
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2) the Board may vote to go into executive [closed] session for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law. Executive Sessions are confidential pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(C). Any formal action on this matter will be taken in public [open] session.

A. PRE-MEMBERSHIP PHYSICAL – Notice of Pre-existing Conditions

- 1. Discussion: Board to review Preexisting Conditions per A.R.S. §38-859(A)(1) Westgarth (Wes) Trayner.

3. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under the Consent Agenda are considered by the board to be routine (i.e. inutes and/or signatory authority or bank accounts) and will be enacted by a single motion approving the Consent Agenda. If discussion is desired on any particular consent item, a board member may ask that item be removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered separately.

1. Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2024
2. Pre-existing Report of Westgarth (Wes) Trayner

B. HIRE OF RETIREMENT PSPRS MEMBER – Westgarth (Wes) Trayner

1. Discussion/Possible Action: Review the return to work requirements of PSPRS to ensure eligibility.

C. ANNUAL PENSION FUNDING POLICY – Funding Policy for Posting

1. Discussion/Possible Action: Review the Hellsgate Fire District Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Pension Funding Policy for Fiscal Year 2026 per A.R.S. §38-863.01.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

Speakers are limited to a three-minute oral presentation and may submit written comments of any length for Board files. Board Members may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the Agenda. Therefore, pursuant to ARS §38-43101(H), Board action taken as a result of public comment is limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Angie Lecher, Board Clerk

HFD Training Room is accessible to the handicapped. In compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act, those with special needs, such as large print or other reasonable accommodations, may request them by calling (928)474-3835 at least 24 hours before the meeting.

A copy of the supplemental agenda materials provided to the Board Members (with exception of materials relating to executive sessions) is available for public inspection at the Districts Administrative Office at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Call (928)474-3835 to set an appointment to accommodate inspection.

Posted by: Angie Lecher

Date: 1/23/2025

Time: 4:30 PM



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~MINUTES~

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to notice, a meeting of the Hellsgate Fire District (HFD) Public Safety Pension Board was called to order by Chair Lisa Lamoureux at 9:30 AM on Monday, January 27, 2025, at the Hellsgate Fire Department Station #21, 80 S. Walters Lane, Star Valley, Arizona. Secretary Angie Lecher recorded the minutes. A quorum was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

A. ROLL CALL

Board Present: Lisa Lamoureux – Chair; Angie Lecher – Secretary; John Wisner – Member. Board Absent: Jeffery Yungkans – Member; Sean Minniss - Member. Public Present: None

B. SALUTE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Pledge of Allegiance led by all in attendance.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(1).

A. PRE-MEMBERSHIP PHYSICAL – Notice of Pre-existing Conditions

Pursuant to ARS Sec. 38-431.03(A)(1) the Board prepared for an executive session.

MOTION by Secretary Lecher to enter into executive session per ARS §38-431.03(A)(1) to discuss records exempt from public inspection for the application for employment of Westgarth (Wes) Trayner.

MOTION SECONDED by Member Wisner

MOTION CARRIED 3/0

***Board entered executive session at 9:32 AM and resumed regular session at 9:37 AM**

3. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2024
2. Pre-existing Report of Westgarth (Wes) Trayner

MOTION by Secretary Lecher to approve the consent agenda

MOTION SECONDED by Member Wisner

MOTION CARRIED 3/0



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B. HIRE OF RETIREMENT PSPRS MEMBER – Westgarth (Wes) Trayner

1. Board members reviewed the requirements for hiring a retired member of the PSPRS system. Board members ensured that we were not a prior employer, that the appointment of Westgarth (Wes) Trayner was done through a competitive hiring process, he has been retired for more than 60 days, that he did not retire under a disability retirement and that the position that he tested for was not the same position he retired from.

MOTION by Secretary Lecher that the PSPRS Local Board has reviewed the criteria for hiring a retired member of PSPRS and notes eligibility of Westgarth (Wes) Trayner to be hired as the Fire Chief. Hellsgate Fire District will be required to pay the system an Alternate Contribution Rate on behalf of employing a retiree in a position that would normally be filled with a contributing member.

MOTION SECONDED by Chair Lamoureux

MOTION CARRIED 3/0

C. ANNUAL PENSION FUNDING POLICY – Funding Policy for Posting

1. Board members reviewed the PSPRS Pension Funding Policy compiled by Secretary Lecher for comments and approval for the District Board of Directors to approve. It is noted that the UAAL has been paid and that the district contribution no longer includes submissions for unfunded liabilities.

MOTION by Secretary Lecher to approve the supplied Hellsgate Fire District Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Pension Funding Policy fiscal year ending 6/30/2026 for District Board of Directors to consider.

MOTION SECONDED by Member Wisner

MOTION CARRIED 3/0

4. PUBLIC FORUM

Pursuant to ARS §38-431.01(H) the HFD PSPRS Board allows public comment as time permits.

No comment.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Lamoureux called for an adjournment.

MOTION by Secretary Lecher made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION SECONDED by Member Wisner

MOTION CARRIED 3/0

The meeting adjourned at 9:57 AM

Respectfully Submitted, Angie Lecher, Business Manager