



**CITY OF FRESNO RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FIRE AND POLICE RETIREMENT BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**April 25, 2017**

The Fire and Police Retirement Board held a meeting in Retirement Office, 2828 Fresno St., 2nd Fl., Board Chamber, Room 202, Fresno, California at the hour of 1:00 PM on the day above written.

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**ROLL CALL AT 1:03 PM**

Board Members Present: Michael Reid, David, Newton, Jonathan Lusk, Ted Semonious

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Russ Richeda, Legal Counsel, Robert Theller, Retirement Administrator, Kathleen Riley, Asst Retirement Administrator, Yvonne Timberlake, Retirement Benefits Manager, Pattie Laygo, Executive Assistant

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**APPROVE MINUTES**

Approve minutes of March 28, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Fire and Police Retirement Board.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

ON MOTION by Member Lusk seconded by Member Semonious to approve the minutes of March 28, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Fire and Police Retirement Board, DULY CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Reid, Newton, Lusk, Semonious

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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**APPROVE AGENDA**

Approve agenda of April 25, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Fire and Police Retirement Board.

ON MOTION by Member Lusk seconded by Member Semonious to approve the agenda of April 25, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Fire and Police Retirement Board, DULY CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Reid, Newton, Lusk, Semonious

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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**TIMED SCHEDULED HEARINGS AND MATTERS**

None

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**A. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approve date and time of the next Regular Meeting of the Fire and Police Retirement Board scheduled at 1:00PM on Wednesday May 10, 2017.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

The Board meeting scheduled on May 10, 2017, is rescheduled to commence at 1:30 pm.

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2. Approve application to convert service retirement to a service-connected disability retirement filed by Michael Toepfer, a retired City of Fresno Police Officer.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

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3. Approve application for a service-connected disability retirement filed by Scott Parenti, a City of Fresno Police Officer.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

Mr. Parenti was present and thanked by the Board for his service.

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4. Approve application to convert service retirement to a service-connected disability retirement filed by Benny Martinez, a retired City of Fresno Police Officer.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

Mr. Martinez was present and thanked by the Board for his service.

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5. Approve application to convert a service retirement to a service connected disability retirement filed by Fred Martinez, a retired City of Fresno Firefighter.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

Mr. Martinez was present and thanked by the Board for his service.

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6. Approve application for a service-connected disability retirement filed by Monty Lewis, Jr. a former City of Fresno Police Officer.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

Mr. Lewis was present and thanked by the Board for his service.

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7. Approve applications for service retirement:

NAME	EFFECTIVE DATE
Addison Clark	03/31/2017
Sandra Johanns	04/04/2017
Lorne Lewis	02/03/2017
Amanda Nadeau	01/29/2017

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

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8. Approve applications from the following employees with over five years of service who have elected to allow their contributions to remain in the Fire & Police Retirement System in accordance with the Fresno Municipal Code:

NAME	DEPARTMENT	TERM EFFECTIVE DATE
Javier M. Lara	Fire	03/24/2017
Enrique J. Mendizabal	Police	02/16/2017

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

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9. Approve report of dependent portion refund withdrawn: Total Sum of Refunds= \$13,773.62

NAME	RETIRE DATE
Jeanine R. Watts	08/01/2016

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

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10. Approve report of retirement contributions refunded: Total Sum of Refunds= \$1,530.87

NAME	EFFECTIVE DATE	YEARS OF SERVICE
Vi Yang	08/18/2016	0.323

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

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11. Approve the following applications for the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)  
Effective May 1, 2017:

Mark Gacayan

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

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12. The following employees have elected to change their beneficiary:

Frank Contreras III  
Wiley T. Erikson  
Patrick F. Farmer  
Amanda Nadeau  
Timothy A. Smith

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

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ON MOTION by Member Lusk seconded by Member Semonious to approve the consent calendar, DULY CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Reid, Newton, Lusk, Semonious

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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## B. DISABILITY HEARING

1. Review and Consider continued hearing pursuant to an application for a disability retirement filed by William Dennis, a former City of Fresno Police Officer.

ACTION: Laid Over

Mr. Tom Tusan spoke on behalf of Mr. William Dennis, also present. Mr. Tusan requested a formal hearing, summarized the issues, stating there are additional matters for the Boards consideration. Mr. Tusan then requested that additional matters be discussed in closed session and hearing is continued in closed session.

It is reported out of closed session that the Boards approved Mr. Tusan's request for a formal hearing to consider all evidence as presented on behalf of William Dennis application for a disability retirement.

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2. Consider Hearing Officer's Proposed Findings and Conclusions regarding the application for a service-connected disability retirement filed by Casey Hansen.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

Mr. Tom Tusan was present and spoke on behalf of Casey Hansen, also present.

ON MOTION BY Member Semonious seconded by Member Lusk to adopt the proposed findings, conclusions and decision of the hearing officer regarding the application for a service-connected disability retirement filed by Casey Hansen, DULY CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Reid, Newton, Lusk, Semonious

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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3. Consider Hearing Officer's Proposed Findings and Conclusions regarding the application for a service-connected disability retirement filed by David Mercier.

ACTION: Approved/Adopted

Administrator summarized conclusions of the hearing officer and reviewed staff conclusions and recommendations. Mr. Mercier was present.

ON MOTION BY Member Lusk seconded by Member Semonious to adopt the proposed findings, conclusions and decision of the hearing officer regarding the application for a service-connected disability retirement filed by David Mercier, DULY CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Reid, Newton, Lusk, Semonious

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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#### C. EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL ISSUES

None

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#### D. STAFF INITIATED ITEMS

None

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#### E. BOARD INITIATED ITEMS

1. Request by Police Member David Newton - Fresno Police Officers Association (FPOA) discussion regarding Career Rank Cost-of-Living effective dates.

ACTION: Direction to Staff

The Board received a summary of request by Police Member David Newton. Mr. Damon Kurtz, President of Fresno Police Officer's Association spoke to this issue.

Board direction is made that Retirement Administrator meet with FPOA and Department of Human Resources for more information and report back to the Board.

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2. Selection of finalists for outside board member and schedule interviews.

The Boards reviewed and discussed staff recommendation.

ON MOTION BY Member Lusk seconded by Member Semonious to schedule a Special Meeting at 12:00 pm on Wednesday May 10, 2017, to conduct interviews of applicants Cheryl Perry-Flowers, Trudy Brisendine and Lynn Bennink for Outside Board Member on the Fire and Police Retirement Board, DULY CARRIED by the following vote:

AYES: Reid, Newton, Lusk, Semonious

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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**F. GENERAL DISCUSSION**

None

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**G. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS**

None

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**H. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING**

None

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**I. UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

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**J. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

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**K. ADJOURNMENT**

2:09 pm

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Fire and Police Retirement Board

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Pattie Laygo  
Retirement Board Secretary/Deputy