

**Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System
Minutes of the Legislative Committee Meeting
January 19, 2022**

The Legislative Committee of the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System held a Meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, via audio/video conference due to the public health emergency declared in response to the threat presented by COVID-19.

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Ray Burkart at 10:02 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Members Present

Maj. Raymond Burkart, Jr, Chairman
Chief G. Scott Ford
Chief Michael Glaser
Mayor Greg Cromer

Members Absent

Others Present

Mr. Benjamin Huxen II, MPERS Executive Director and General Counsel
Ms. Ashlee McNeely, MPERS, Executive Management Officer
Mr. Joey David, House of Representatives
Ms. Taylor Camp, MPERS, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. David Barnes, NEPC, Investment Consultant

C. Public Comment

Mr. Burkart called for public comments. There were no public comments.

D. Old Business

1. Approval of the October 7, 2021, Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mr. Ford, seconded by Mr. Glaser, to approve the minutes of the meeting held October 7, 2021. Without objection, the motion carried.

E. New Business

1. Discussion and Action Regarding Legislation to be Proposed for the 2022 Regular Session

Mr. Huxen updated the board on the status of the funding deposit account and retire-rehire bills. Mr. Huxen asked if any committee members had any suggested changes.

Mr. Burkart informed the committee that some retirees were asking for a COLA and asked the committee for their opinion. There was discussion regarding whether the board needed permission to grant a COLA. There was a question as to whether or not that would be a good idea with the existing pending bills.

Mr. Huxen informed the board that COLAs can't be approved until the valuation is approved by PRSAC and suggested the committee discuss this with Mr. Curran.

Mr. Ford asked when the last COLA was granted. Mr. Huxen informed him that the last COLA was granted in November 2014.

There was further discussion regarding COLAs, however there was no desire to amend the funding deposit account bill to grant a COLA, since the board already had authority to grant one itself. The committee adjourned without any further action taken.

F. Other Business

There was no other business brought before the committee.

G. Adjourn


A motion was made by Mr. Ford, seconded by Mr. Cromer, to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 a.m. Without objection, the motion carried.

The next meeting date is May 18, 2022.

To the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes accurately represent the actions taken at the meeting held January 19, 2022.



Raymond Burkart, Jr
Legislative Committee Chairman



Ben Huxen,
Executive Director and General Counsel