

Edinburgh Police Pension Local Board
Monday, March 3, 2025
6:30PM

The Edinburgh Police Pension Local Board met in a regular session on Monday, March 3, 2025, at 6:30PM at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, IN.

Doyne Little called the first meeting of the Edinburgh Police Pension Local Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Oaths- Clerk-Treasurer Rhonda Barrett administered the Oath of Office to Doyne Little, Hector Mercado, Robert Organ, Sean Pendleton, and Dave Lutz.

Roll Call- Ryan Piercefield, Sean Pendleton, Robert Organ, Hector Mercado, Dave Lutz, and Doyne Little.

Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Rhonda Barrett and Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston.

Lot Draw to Determine One, Two-, and Three-Year Terms- Clerk-Treasurer Barrett asked Deputy Marshal Mercado, Deputy Marshal Organ, and Deputy Marshal Pendleton to draw an envelope to determine their term.

Attorney Huddleston explained to the officers that the terms need to be staggered so everyone does not go off of the board at the same time.

Robert Organ drew the one-year term ending 12/31/25. Sean Pendleton drew the two-year term ending 12/31/26. Hector Mercado drew the three-year term ending 12/31/27.

Attorney Huddleston further stated that the appointed members also need to draw lots. Discussion was held regarding the term lengths for Ryan Piercefield Council President, Town Marshal Doyne Little, Clerk-Treasurer, Rhonda Barrett and Retired Officer Dave Lutz.

Dave Lutz drew a one-year term ending 12/31/25, which will automatically go to a 3-year term as of 1/1/26.

Election of Secretary- Discussion was held regarding the Secretary's duties. Hector Mercado volunteered to be elected as Secretary.

Doyne Little made a motion to nominate Hector Mercado as Secretary of the Town of Edinburgh Police Pension Board. Sean Pendleton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting Schedule for 2025- Discussion was held to schedule quarterly meetings at 6:30PM on the same date as the Firefighter Pension Board. The proposed meeting dates were as follows:

- June 2, 2025, at 6:30PM
- September 15, 2025, at 6:30PM

Discussion was held regarding the timeline for getting the 77 Fund started.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of someone not being accepted into the 77 Fund by PERF.

Discussion was held that those who are not accepted into the 77 Fund would continue in the Civilian PERF.

Doyne Little made a motion to approve the 2025 meeting dates for June 2, 2025, at 6:30PM and September 15, 2025, at 6:30 PM. Robert Organ seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Actuarial Survey Discussion- Clerk-Treasurer Barrett stated the actuarial survey gives those employed Deputy Marshals who have never been a part of the 77 Fund, the dollar amount of what it would cost them to buy into the 77 Fund.

Bylaws- Town Marshal Doyne Little stated that Bylaws need to be established for the Police Pension Board and suggested having Attorney Huddleston draw up the Bylaws. Attorney Huddleston stated he could draft the bylaws for the Police Pension Board.

Hector Mercado made a motion to approve Attorney Huddleston to draft the bylaws for the Police Pension Board. Sean Pendleton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Designation Pursuant to I.C. 36-8-8-19(c) for Administration/Interpretation of the Baseline Statewide Mental Examination- Doyne Little stated he thinks it would be best to use Public Safety Medical to do physical and mental evaluations. Discussion was held regarding how long it would take for Public Safety Medical to administer the examinations.

Determination of Standards for Passing the Baseline Statewide Mental Examination- Doyne Little stated he thinks it would be best to use Public Safety Medical to do physical and mental evaluations.

Designation of Physician(s) to Conduct the Statewide Physical Examinations- Doyne Little stated he thinks it would be best to use Public Safety Medical to do physical and mental evaluations.

Hector Mercado made a motion for Public Safety Medical to administer the baseline statewide mental examination, to determine the standards for passing the baseline statewide mental examination, and to designate a physician to conduct the statewide physical examination. Sean Pendleton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Other Business

Attorney Huddleston informed Town Marshal Doyne Little to pass out applications to Deputy Marshals before the next Police Pension Board meeting on June 2, 2025.

Ryan Piercefield stated he is glad to get this started.

Public Comments

Ryan Coy 502 Fulford Dr, asked what happens when the term limits are up. Attorney Huddleston stated there will be a process that addresses this in the bylaws.

Being no further business or comments, Hector Mercado made a motion to adjourn. Sean Pendleton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Town of Edinburgh Police Pension Local Board meetings. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL0pagNU7lg5FkjGffOyWphtcPehlL-R5g> for as long as this media is supported.

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Hector Mercado, Secretary