

Minutes of the Lehigh County Retirement Board Meeting  
Lehigh County Government Center Public Hearing Room

Thursday, April 10, 2014

9:30 A.M.

Tom Muller, County Executive, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Members present were David Bausch, Lisa Scheller, Vic Mazziotti, Daniel McCarthy, Tom Muller, Glenn Eckhart, and Tim Reeves.

This special meeting was called for the Retirement Board to approve four motions on retirement buy backs and the recording of future Retirement Board meetings for taking accurate minutes.

Tom Muller noted due to the possibility of the Commissioners and the Executive agreeing to a different process through adopting an ordinance there will be no vote on the four motions on the buyback at this meeting.

A motion was made by Tim Reeves to electronically record the meetings of the Retirement Board. The recording for each meeting shall be retained until the minutes have been approved by the Board.

Glenn Eckhart seconded the motion.

A vote was taken: David Bausch – Yes; Lisa Scheller – Yes; Vic Mazziotti – Yes; Daniel McCarthy – Yes; Tom Muller – Yes; Glenn Eckhart – Yes; Tim Reeves - Yes

The vote to record future Retirement Board meetings was unanimous.

Several employees had questions:

Donna Zimmerman asked if it was possible to have more people to answer retirement questions.

Tim Reeves answered it would be looked at internally.

Scott Grim commented on all the rumors regarding retirement changes. Is it possible to relay retirement change information to employees to stop the rumors?

Tim Reeves said Hay Group supplied the data but it did not contain the detailed information the County wanted to relay to the employees. They expect to have the data within the next month.

Vic Mazziotti explained the mortality tables.

Tom Muller said he will handle informing the employees of the upcoming changes.

David Hemmerly asked if it was possible to get a specific date retirement quote. The intranet quotes go by years.

Tim Reeves answered that our system is not able to provide specific date quotes. There is software we can buy that will do that but we will incur additional cost. The Board will review the additional cost and decide if it's feasible to purchase this software. But, if you do have a certain date in mind to retire we can figure it out through the Hay group.

Gentleman from the Sheriff's Office had a question about buying back military time.

Tom Muller replied over the next four to six weeks we will have the answers on the buyback process complete and we will be able to answer those questions.

With no more questions or comments Tom Muller ask for a motion to adjourn. .

Vic Mazziotti made the motion.

The motion was seconded by Glenn Eckhart.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Glenn Eckhart', written over a horizontal line.

Glenn Eckhart, Secretary