

PINAL COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT MERIT COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 27, 2014 AT 9:00 A.M.
HEARING ROOM
31 N. Pinal St, Administration Building A, Florence, Arizona

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Patrick Melvin
Council Member Tom Ramsdell
Council Member Mark Hawthorne
Council Member Frank Reyes

OTHERS PRESENT:

Katherine Baker, Counsel to the LEMC
Patrick Camuñez, Pinal County Attorney
Lieutenant Tamatha Villar, Pinal County Sheriff's Office Agency Representative
Attorney Neil Landeen
Appellant Andrew Wikstrom
Cynthia Grant, Assistant to the Clerk of the LEMC

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 8:59 a.m.

Chairman Melvin asked for confirmation from Appellant and Respondent attorneys that there would not be rebuttal witnesses from either side. Respondent's Attorney Camuñez stated he was unable to confirm this without knowledge of which witnesses Appellant will call. Witnesses in the lobby were then dismissed.

2. Appeal Hearing of Andrew Wikstrom

Chairman Melvin reminded everyone they were still under oath.

- a. At 9:01 am Attorney Landeen continued questioning of Mr. Wikstrom. Cross examination by Attorney Camuñez, questions by Council, further re-cross by Attorney Camuñez.
- b. At 10:49 am Respondent called rebuttal witness Sgt. Christopher Martin, Badge #1370, direct by Attorney Camuñez, cross' examination by Attorney Landeen. Sgt. Martin dismissed.

Recess at 10:54 a.m. with instructions to return at 11:00 a.m.

The Commission back in session at 11:04 a.m. for Closing Arguments.

- c. Attorney Camuñez provided Respondent's closing arguments.
- d. Attorney Landeen offered closing arguments for the Appellant. Mr. Landeen acknowledged that Appellant had ample time to prepare his case.
- e. Rebuttal close by Attorney Camuñez.

Chairman Melvin received verification from both parties that all exhibits had been entered into evidence.

Motion made by Council Member Hawthorne to go into executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice, seconded by Council Member Ramsdell. The LEMC reconvened at 11:55 a.m.

Chairman Melvin advised the Hearing would reconvene on Monday at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of deliberation, and noted this would be an open hearing.

Motion to adjourn made by Council Member Ramsdell, seconded by Council Member Hawthorne.

The LEMC adjourned February 27, 2014 at 2:50 p.m.

Cynthia Grant, Assistant to the Clerk of the
Law Enforcement Merit Council

Patrick Melvin, Chairman