

ORDINANCE NO. 3 - 1991

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1-1986 REGULATING THE POLICE PENSION PLAN FOR THE POLICE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF COALDALE, SCHUYLKILL COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED By The Borough of Coaldale that:

1. Article VII. Benefits and Retirement Dates, Section 7.3 is hereby deleted and in its place and stead, the following is substituted:

7.3 NORMAL RETIREMENT BENEFIT

The Retirement Benefit of a participant shall be equal to one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) his average monthly compensation received during the last thirty-six (36) months of employment, continuing for life in equal monthly payments and ceasing in the month of death. Such pension or retirement benefits for any month shall be computed as the sum of

(a) any pension benefits from pension plans heretofore established by a private organization or association for the members of the police force but only to the extent that this Commonwealth or any of its municipalities shall have contributed to such pension plan monies raised by taxation.

(b) benefits from the police pension fund established pursuant to this act to the extent necessary to bring the total benefits in any month up to one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) the aforesaid monthly average compensation.

2. Article VII. Benefits and Retirement Dates, Section 7.4 is hereby deleted and in its place and stead, the following is substituted:

7.4 DISABILITY RETIREMENT BENEFIT

(a) If a Participant shall qualify for a permanent and total disability benefit under the provisions of the Plan, and such disability is confirmed by the Police Pension Board, such participant shall be eligible to receive a disability benefit from the Plan.

(b) In the event of permanent service-related disability, benefits shall become payable to an injured police officer in an amount equal to sixty-five (65%) percent of his average monthly compensation received during the last thirty-six (36) months of employment in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.3.

(c) Disability means that the police officer is permanently and totally disabled from performing police work for the Borough.

(d) A determination by Council or its agency that a member is totally and permanently disabled shall be required for such member to receive a disability benefit under the Plan. Before making such determination, Council or its agency shall secure the opinion of one or more practicing physicians licensed to practice medicine. Council shall have the right to require a physical

examination and a redetermination at its option. In the event total disability becomes partial disability, then in such event benefits shall continue to be payable to the injured police officer in an amount equal to two-thirds (2/3rds) of the difference between the income and the amount of pension which the member should have received should the officer remain permanently disabled.

3. This Ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 1992.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1991.

BOROUGH OF COALDALE

BY: Gene J. Poli  
President of Council

ATTEST:

Bernadine A. Reed  
Borough Secretary

John J. Manduca  
Mayor