



**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE  
FIRE LOCAL BOARD OF THE  
PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PSPRS)**

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, August 19, 2021**

**Meeting Held Electronically**

**PRESENT:** Hugo Meraz, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee  
Donna Brown, Citizen Member/Merit Head  
Ken Strobeck, Citizen Member  
Todd Cavner, Elected Member  
Steve Springborn, Elected Member

**STAFF:** Sue Sola, Senior Human Resources Analyst  
Darlene Ganger, Senior HR Benefits Analyst

**Call to Order**

Chair Meraz called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Members present as listed above.

**Possible Executive Session**

**1. Review and approval of regular session meeting minutes – July 15, 2021**

BOARD MEMBER SPRINGBORN MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE JULY 15, 2021 PSPRS FIRE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, STROBECK, CAVNER, AND SPRINGBORN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSIDENTING VOTES.

**2. Induction of new City of Scottsdale Firefighters into PSPRS, if any**

BOARD MEMBER STROBECK MOVED TO APPROVE THE INDUCTION OF NEW SCOTTSDALE FIREFIGHTER RECRUITS JACOB DODGE AND CASEY KUNSZT WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JULY 19, 2021, AND RICHARD BORUNDA, BRANDON ROLLINS, LOGAN DAOUST, ELIZABETH DEADMAN, RAUL SCHCOLNICK, AND RORY WIRTH WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF AUGUST 2, 2021. EACH WILL BE INDUCTED WITH PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS, IF ANY, AS NOTED ON THE LISTING THAT IS INCLUDED WITH THE BOARD PACKET. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, STROBECK, CAVNER, AND SPRINGBORN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

**3. Discussion and vote on the Accidental Disability Application of Firefighter Danny J. Ramirez**

Ms. Sola noted that Firefighter Danny J. Ramirez submitted an accidental disability retirement application, which was provided to Board members in advance of the meeting.

BOARD MEMBER SPRINGBORN MOVED TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF AN INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXAMINATION THROUGH ONE OF THE BOARD'S CONTRACTED MEDICAL PROVIDERS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A MEDICAL SPECIALIST TO SERVE AS A MEDICAL BOARD FOR THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF FIREFIGHTER DANNY J. RAMIREZ. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION.

Board Member Strobeck mentioned that this was his first time reviewing a disability application. The Board briefly reviewed the IME process.

THE MOTION CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, STROBECK, CAVNER, AND SPRINGBORN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

**4. Report to the Board on recently completed service transfers, if any**

There were no recent service transfers.

**5. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items**

There were no suggestions for upcoming agenda items.

**Adjournment**

BOARD MEMBER CAVNER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, STROBECK, CAVNER, AND SPRINGBORN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

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