



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

MINUTES

Thursday, February 18, 2021

Meeting Held Electronically

PRESENT: Hugo Meraz, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee
Donna Brown, Citizen Member/Merit Head
Todd Cavner, Elected Member

ABSENT: Steve Springborn, Elected Member (Left just after roll call)

STAFF: Alena Sampson, PSPRS Local Board Secretary, Senior HR Analyst-Fire
Darlene Ganger, Senior HR Benefits Analyst

GUESTS: Cindy Kelley, PSPRS Local Board Attorney

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 – January 21, 2021

BOARD MEMBER CAVNER MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 21, 2021 PSPRS FIRE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS

BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

2. Review and approval of executive session meeting minutes – December 17, 2020

BOARD MEMBER CAVNER MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 17, 2020 PSPRS FIRE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

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

BOARD MEMBER CAVNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE INDUCTION OF NEW SCOTTSDALE FIREFIGHTER RECRUITS AMANDA VANDERMOLEN, WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 19, 2021 AND LOGAN CROWTHER AND DAVID GONZALEZ, WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF FEBRUARY 1, 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 THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

4. Discussion and vote on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Firefighter Jan Lee Collins

Ms. Sampson recalled that Firefighter Jan Lee Collins originally applied for a temporary disability and has now converted to accidental disability. Firefighter Collins retired on January 7, 2020 with 18.040 years of service. Her monthly benefit is \$3,876.17. All of her paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN MOVED TO APPROVE THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATION FOR FIREFIGHTER JAN LEE COLLINS. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

Chair Meraz thanked Firefighter Collins for her years of service.

5. Discussion and vote on the Normal Retirement application of Fire Marshal Deputy Tamala S. Rosenhagen

This item was tabled.

6. Discussion and vote on the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) termination and Normal Retirement Application of Firefighter James F. Bagnoli

Ms. Sampson noted that Firefighter James F. Bagnoli entered the DROP on July 4, 2020 with 20.012 years of service and will be retiring February 26, 2021. His monthly benefit is \$3,197.16. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER CAVNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP TERMINATION AND NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF FIREFIGHTER JAMES F. BAGNOLI. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

Chair Meraz thanked Firefighter Bagnoli for his years of service.

7. Discussion and vote on the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) application of Fire Chief Deputy Kerry R. Swick

Ms. Sampson noted that Fire Chief Deputy Kerry R. Swick entered the DROP on December 19, 2020 with 20.023 years of service. His monthly benefit was incorrectly noted to be \$4,541.30 (amendment below). All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF FIRE CHIEF DEPUTY KERRY R. SWICK. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

During the "Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items" section of this meeting, Ms. Ganger said that the correct monthly benefit amount for Fire Chief Deputy Kerry R. Swick is \$5,676.63.

BOARD MEMBER BROWN AMENDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF FIRE CHIEF DEPUTY KERRY R. SWICK BASED ON THE CORRECTED MONTHLY BENEFIT AMOUNT. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

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

There were no recently completed service transfers.

9. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items

Chair Meraz suggested that the bylaws discussion be tabled until a new board member has been appointed, which will likely be in June.

Adjournment

BOARD MEMBER BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0), BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN AND CAVNER VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

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