



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

MINUTES

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Meeting Held Electronically

PRESENT: Hugo Meraz, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee
Donna Brown, Citizen Member/Merit Head
Rodger Paliwoda, Elected Member
Matt Heeren, Elected Member

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

GUESTS:

Call to Order

Chair Meraz called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call

Possible Executive Session

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

BOARD MEMBER BROWN MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 15, 2021 PSPRS POLICE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

2. Induction of new City of Scottsdale Police officers into PSPRS, if any

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE INDUCTION OF NEW SCOTTSDALE POLICE OFFICER RECRUIT ALEXANDER ROMERO WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF MARCH 29, 2021. HE WILL BE INDUCTED WITH PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS, IF ANY, AS NOTED ON THE LISTING THAT IS INCLUDED WITH THE BOARD PACKET. BOARD MEMBER HEEREN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

3. Discussion and vote on the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) application of Police Officer Matthew T. Miller

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer Matthew T. Miller entered the DROP on April 10, 2021 with 22.039 years of service. His monthly benefit is \$4,376.29. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER MATTHEW T. MILLER. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

4. Discussion and vote on the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) termination and Normal Retirement Application of Police Officer John Garry Miller

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer John Garry Miller retired May 1, 2021 with 26.029 years of service. His monthly benefit is \$5,176.18. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP TERMINATION AND NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER JOHN GARY MILLER. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

Chair Meraz thanked Officer Miller for his years of service and wished him a happy retirement.

5. Discussion and vote on the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) termination and Normal Retirement Application of Police Officer Scott S. Carpenter

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer Scott S. Carpenter retired on May 6, 2021 with 25.140 years of service. His monthly benefit is \$5,787.78. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP TERMINATION AND NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER SCOTT S. CARPENTER. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

Chair Meraz thanked Officer Carpenter for his years of service and wished him a happy retirement.

6. Report to the Board on recently completed service transfers

There were no recently completed service transfers.

7. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items

Chair Meraz said that he anticipates that once the new Board member starts in June, a joint meeting to discuss the bylaws can be scheduled.

Adjournment

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. BOARD MEMBER HEEREN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS BROWN, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

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