



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

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2015**

**Police and Fire Department Headquarters - Operations Room  
8401 E. Indian School Road**

**PRESENT:** James Butera, Elected Member  
Hugo Meraz, Citizen Member  
Rodger Paliwoda, Elected Member  
Donna Brown, Citizen Member/Merit Head

**STAFF:** Chanda Washington  
Sue Sola

**GUESTS:** Hannah Auckland  
Jeff Burg

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Member Meraz called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Members present as noted above.

**Possible Executive Session**

**1. Review and approval of regular session meeting minutes - August 20, 2015**

Board Member Brown noted that under item 8, Board Suggestions for agenda items, it should say discussion of whether or not the Board has the ability to make the decision to make the Police PSPRS dates the same as the Fire PSPRS dates.

**BOARD MEMBER BUTERA MOVED TO APPROVE WITH CHANGES NOTED THE  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 20, 2015 PSPRS  
POLICE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE  
MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0).**

**2. Induction of new Scottsdale police officers into PSPRS**

**BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE INDUCTION OF NEW SCOTTSDALE POLICE OFFICERS EVELYN HERNANDEZ, AUSTIN JARRELL, ROBERT MARINEAU, MARJORIE O'CONNELL, AND MICHAEL RYAN INTO PSPRS, EACH WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2015. PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS, IF ANY, ARE NOTED ON THE ATTACHED LISTING. BOARD MEMBER BUTERA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0).**

**3. Discussion and vote on the normal retirement application of Police Sergeant Robert D. Hoskin**

Ms. Washington noted that Sergeant Hoskin retired on August 31st with 20.130 years of service. His monthly pension is \$5,641.13 and all of his paperwork is in order.

**BOARD MEMBER BUTERA MOVED TO APPROVE THE NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE SERGEANT ROBERT D. HOSKIN. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0).**

**4. Notification of guardian and eligible child benefit payments**

Ms. Washington announced that due to recent legislative changes regarding eligible children, children between the ages of 18 and 23 who are enrolled in school full-time may apply for the guardian benefit as well as the eligible child benefit.

**5. Report to the Board on recently completed service transfers**

Ms. Sola announced that Tommy Jensen transferred 1.0 years of prior service in ASRS, rolled over from the 457 Deferred Compensation Account in the amount of \$25,952, resulting in a total of 21.118 years of service.

Christopher Hall transferred 1.258 years of prior service with the military from the 457 Deferred Compensation Account in the amount of \$42,558, resulting in a total of 21.340 years of service.

**6. Discussion of recent PSPRS administrative changes as they apply to calculating past credited service**

Ms. Auckland noted that a member of the Fire Board requested information on the changes PSPRS has made in calculating past credited service.

It was assumed to be an administrative change that PSPRS had made, but in follow-up with the PSPRS administrator it was explained that it was a legislative change that was not timely implemented. Ms. Auckland provided a copy of her email exchange with the PSPRS administrator and attachments he sent regarding the legislative change and potential changes that could be made in the next legislative session. A number of people were not in favor of the change because it makes some credit purchases more

expensive. Changes affect out of state, Rural Metro employees, and pre-joinder service purchases performed on or after August 2, 2012. The Fire Board is concerned because of the number of Rural Metro employees that are on the Board. Ms. Auckland will wait to do a white paper until it is known whether or not there will be any further changes. The Fire Board requested that Ms. Auckland review the joinder agreement for Fire.

Ms. Auckland noted that she sent a follow-up email to the PSPRS administrator inquiring how some of the changes would be affected by cases being reviewed by ASRS. His response was that the change is where they limited it to a five-year maximum past time purchase, but does not apply to people who were in the system prior to the change. The Hall v. Elected Officials case might have some bearing on how credited service is calculated for PSPRS. Ms. Auckland will follow the case, which is now in the Supreme Court.

## **7. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items**

Ms. Sola said that she will agendize a discussion about the ability of the Board to determine the entrance into PSPRS.

Ms. Washington announced that Jeff Burg will likely have been appointed as Board Chair by next month.

## **Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

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