



**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE FIRE LOCAL BOARD OF THE
PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PSPRS)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015
Police and Fire Department Headquarters - Operations Room
8401 E. Indian School Road**

PRESENT: Hugo Meraz, Citizen Member
Todd Cavner, Elected Member (telephonic)
Steve Springborn, Elected Member
Donna Brown, Citizen Member/Merit Head

ABSENT: Jeff Burg, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee

STAFF: Sue Sola
Chanda Washington
Tami Turkovich

GUESTS: Hannah Auckland
Thomas Gort

CALL TO ORDER

Board Member Meraz called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present as noted above.

BOARD MEMBER SPRINGBORN MOVED TO APPOINT HUGO MERAZ AS ACTING CHAIR FOR THE DURATION OF THE MEETING. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRPERSON BURG WAS ABSENT.

Possible Executive Session

1. Review and approval of regular session meeting minutes - November 19, 2015

BOARD MEMBER SPRINGBORN MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 19, 2015 FIRE LOCAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRPERSON BURG WAS ABSENT.

2. Review and approval of executive session meeting minutes- November 19, 2015

BOARD MEMBER SPRINGBORN MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 19, 2015 FIRE LOCAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING. BOARD MEMBER CAVNER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRPERSON BURG WAS ABSENT.

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

There were no new inductees. Ms. Sola noted that she anticipates three inductees in January.

4. Discussion and vote on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Fire Captain Thomas P. Gort

Ms. Washington noted that she provided information, including Fire Captain Gort's medical records and additional clarifying information, to Board Members in advance of the meeting. Captain Gort did not sign the waiver, so any discussion regarding his medical condition would need to be in executive session.

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 VASCULAR SURGEON TO SERVE AS THE MEDICAL BOARD FOR THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF FIRE CAPTAIN THOMAS P. GORT. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRPERSON BURG WAS ABSENT.

5. Discussion and vote on the Accidental Disability Retirement application of former Fire Battalion Chief Daniel R. Bunce

Ms. Washington noted that Chief Bunce did sign the waiver, so the Board is free to discuss his medical condition on the record.

Board Member Springborn commented that the applicant has claimed two different modalities for his accidental disability and suggested that he be sent to both a pulmonary specialist and a musculoskeletal specialist.

BOARD MEMBER SPRINGBORN MOVED TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF AN INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXAMINATION THROUGH ONE OF THE BOARD'S CONTRACTED PULMONARY SPECIALISTS AND DR. SEIVERT, THE PREFERRED MUSCULOSKELETAL SPECIALIST, TO SERVE AS THE MEDICAL BOARD FOR THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF FIRE BATTALION CHIEF DANIEL R. BUNCE. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRPERSON BURG WAS ABSENT.

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

There were no recent service transfers.

7. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items

There were no additional suggestions.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

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