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

MINUTES  
Thursday, May 24, 2018  

Police and Fire Department Headquarters – Fire Operations Conference Room  
8401 E. Indian School Road  
Scottsdale, AZ 85251  

PRESENT:  
Jeff Burg, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee  
Hugo Meraz, Citizen Member (telephonic)  
Rodger Paliwoda, Elected Member  
Tommy Jensen, Elected Member  

ABSENT:  
Donna Brown, Citizen Member/Merit Head  

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

Call to Order  
Chair Burg called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.  

Roll Call  
Members present as listed above.  

Possible Executive Session  

1. Review and approval of regular session meeting minutes – April 26, 2018  

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 26, 2018 MEETING. BOARD MEMBER MERAZ SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.
2.  **Induction of new City of Scottsdale Police Officers into PSPRS, if any**

Ms. Sampson announced there are no new officers.

3.  **Review and POSSIBLE vote on including revised retirement applications, due to a change in the monthly benefit amount, on the agenda**

Ms. Sampson explained that this item came up because the pension amounts for items 4 and 5 on today's agenda changed based on final payroll calculations. Staff is asking if it would be acceptable going forward to present the original request with language saying 'subject to final payroll calculations,' rather than citing a specific amount. She added that in the case of an error, the application would be brought back to the Board for another vote.

Discussion ensued. Chair Burg recalled that at one point in the past the verbiage of motions included "subject to final payroll calculations and qualified domestic relations orders."

Ms. Sampson agreed that the motion could include this language; there would then be no need to bring applications back to the Board because of minor changes in amounts. Ms. Ganger said this would mean less paperwork. The Board agreed by consensus to implement the recommended change.

4.  **Discussion and vote on the revised normal retirement application of Police Officer Christopher J. Crescione**

Ms. Sampson said that for Officer Christopher J. Crescione the amount previously approved was $4,066.21. The new amount is $4,060.12, a decrease of approximately $6 per month. Officer Crescione is being notified of this adjustment.

**BOARD MEMBER JENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE REVISED NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER CHRISTOPHER J. CRESCIONE. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.**

5.  **Discussion and vote on the normal retirement application Police Officer Kelli L. Yamamori**

Ms. Sampson noted that for Police Officer Kelli L. Yamamori the amount previously approved was $3,661.00. The new amount is $3,652.62.

Board Member Paliwoda asked why these changes had occurred. Ms. Ganger said that the number of hours Officer Yamamori actually worked was less than had been estimated. In the case of Officer Crescione, deductions from his first ever pay period were paid into ASRS rather than PSPRS.

**BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE REVISED NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER KELLI L. YAMAMORI. BOARD MEMBER JENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.**
6. Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) termination and normal retirement application of Police Officer Kevin L. Murray

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer Kevin L. Murray entered the DROP program on May 18, 2013 with 20 years of service. He now has approximately 25 years of service. His total monthly benefit will be $3,775.24. All his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER JENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP TERMINATION AND NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER KEVIN L. MURRAY. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.

Chair Burg thanked Officer Murray for his years of service.

7. Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) termination and normal retirement application of Police Chief Assistant Jeffrey E. Walther

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Chief Assistant Jeffrey E. Walter entered the DROP program on August 8, 2015 with 21.096 years of service. He now has approximately 24 years of service. His total monthly benefit will be $6,273.80. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP TERMINATION AND NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE CHIEF ASSISTANT JEFFREY E. WALther. BOARD MEMBER JENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.

Chair Burg thanked Assistant Chief Walther for his many years of service, not only to the Department, but also on this Board.

8. Discussion and vote on the revised DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) application of Police Officer Craig T. Malley

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer Craig T. Malley entered the DROP on December 9, 2017 with 25.239 years of service. His estimated total monthly benefit is calculated at $5,354.80.

Ms. Ganger explained that Officer Malley missed one pay period and that was why the application was revised. This motion will enable staff to update his paperwork with PSPRS.

BOARD MEMBER MERAZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE REVISED DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER CRAIG T. MALLEY. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.
9. **Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) application of Police Lieutenant Robert J. Bonnette, Jr.**

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Lieutenant Robert J. Bonnette, Jr. entered the DROP on September 30, 2017 with 20.012 years of service. His estimated total monthly benefit is $5,557.68. All of his paperwork is in order.

**BOARD MEMBER JENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE LIEUTENANT ROBERT J. BONNETTE, JR. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.**

10. **Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) application of Police Commander Bruce K. Ciolli**

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Commander Bruce K. Ciolli entered the DROP on September 2, 2017 with 25.009 years of service. His estimated total monthly benefit is $7,430.49. All of his paperwork is in order.

**BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE COMMANDER BRUCE K. CIOLLI. BOARD MEMBER JENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.**

11. **Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) application of Police Sergeant Aaron J. Henderson**

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Sergeant Aaron J. Henderson entered the DROP on February 3, 2018 with 20.037 years of service. His estimated total monthly benefit is $4,553.87. All of his paperwork is in order.

**BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE SERGEANT AARON J. HENDERSON. BOARD MEMBER JENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.**

12. **Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) application of Police Officer Charles T. Staats, Jr.**

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer Charles Staats, Jr. entered the DROP on September 16, 2017 with 25.047 years of service. His estimated total monthly benefit is $5,514.33. All of his paperwork is in order.

**BOARD MEMBER JENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER CHARLES T. STAATS, JR. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.**
13. Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) application of Police Lieutenant Mark S. Walther

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Lieutenant Mark S. Walther entered the DROP on December 23, 2017 with 21.510 years of service. His estimated total monthly benefit is $5,834.43. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE LIEUTENANT MARK S. WALTHER. BOARD MEMBER JENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.

14. Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) application of Police Officer Kevin K. Watts

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer Kevin K. Watts entered the DROP on July 22, 2017 with 25.482 years of service. His estimated total monthly benefit is $5,075.16. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER JENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE DROP APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER KEVIN K. WATTS. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBER BROWN WAS ABSENT.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

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