



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

MINUTES

Thursday, January 16, 2020

**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
Donna Brown, Citizen Member/Merit Head
Steve Springborn, Elected Member

ABSENT: Todd Cavner, Elected Member

GUESTS: Cindy Kelley, PSPRS Local Board Attorney

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

Call to Order

Chair Burg called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Roll Call

Members present as listed above.

Possible Executive Session

1. Review and approval of regular session meeting minutes – December 19, 2019

BOARD MEMBER SPRINGBORN MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 19, 2019 PSPRS FIRE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER MERAZ SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0). BOARD MEMBERS MERAZ, BROWN, AND SPRINGBORN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES. CHAIR BURG ABSTAINED.

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

There were no inductees.

3. Discussion and vote on Accidental Disability application of Albert J. DiBenedetto

Ms. Sampson noted that Fire Captain Albert DiBenedetto retired on August 28, 2019. Approximately one month ago, he submitted an application to change his status from regular retirement to accidental disability retirement. He did not indicate in writing at the time of his regular retirement in August that he intended to file for accidental disability.

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 MEDICAL SPECIALIST TO SERVE AS THE MEDICAL BOARD FOR THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF FIREFIGHTER ALBERT J. DIBENEDETTO. BOARD MEMBER BROWN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

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

There were no recently completed service transfers.

5. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items

Upcoming meeting agendas will include:

- Discussion about streamlining the initial IME process
- Joint meeting to discuss bylaws
- Discussion about removing the doctor who recently provided an unsatisfactory IME from the list of acceptable IME doctors

Adjournment

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

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

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