



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

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, July 16, 2020**

**Meeting Held Electronically**

**PRESENT:** Jeff Burg, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee  
Hugo Meraz, Citizen Member  
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

**GUESTS:** Matt Heeren

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**Call to Order**

Chair Burg called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Members present as listed above.

## **Possible Executive Session**

### **1. Review and approval of regular session meeting minutes – June 18, 2020**

BOARD MEMBER MERAZ MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 18, 2020 PSPRS POLICE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR BURG, BOARD MEMBERS MERAZ, JENSEN, AND PALIWODA VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

### **2. Induction of new City of Scottsdale Police Officers into PSPRS, if any**

There were no new inductees.

### **3. Discussion and vote on the Normal Retirement application of Police Officer Thomas H. Kenia**

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Officer Thomas H. Kenia will be retiring on July 16, 2020 with approximately 20.062 years of service. His monthly benefit will be \$4,569.11. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO APPROVE THE NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER THOMAS H. KENIA. BOARD MEMBER JENSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR BURG, BOARD MEMBERS MERAZ, JENSEN, AND PALIWODA VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

Chair Burg thanked Police Officer Kenia for his years of service.

### **4. Discussion and vote on the Normal Retirement application of Police Detective Mark L. Toschik**

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Detective Mark L. Toschik retired on July 8, 2020 with approximately 20.005 years of service. His monthly benefit will be \$4,060.97. All of his paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER JENSEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION OF POLICE DETECTIVE MARK L. TOSCHIK. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0) BY ROLL CALL VOTE. CHAIR BURG, BOARD MEMBERS MERAZ, JENSEN, AND PALIWODA VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

Chair Burg thanked Police Detective Toschik for his years of service.

**5. Discussion and vote on the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) termination and Normal Retirement application of Police Sergeant Weston H. Brown**

Ms. Sampson noted that Police Sergeant Weston H. Brown retired July 10, 2020 with approximately 20.321 years of service. His monthly benefit will be \$4,693.87. All of his paperwork is in order.

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

Chair Burg thanked Police Sergeant Brown for his years of service.

**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 Burg suggested that because it is unknown when in-person meetings will resume, consideration should be given to scheduling discussion about Board elections for a virtual meeting.

It was agreed that unless a retirement is scheduled, the August meeting will be cancelled.

Chair Burg thanked Board Member Jensen for his service to the PSPRS Local Board. Newly elected member Matt Heeren will be in attendance at the next meeting.

**Adjournment**

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

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

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