



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

Thursday, April 11, 2024

North Corporation Yard
Anasazi Conference Room
9191 E San Salvador Drive
Scottsdale, AZ 85258

PRESENT: Hugo Meraz, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee
Monica Boyd, Citizen Member/Merit Head
Matt Heeren, Elected Member

ABSENT: Rodger Paliwoda, Elected Member
Robert Leavitt, Citizen Member

STAFF: Darlene Granger, Sr., HR Benefits Analyst

GUESTS: Cindy Kelley, PSPRS Local Board Attorney
Steve Springborn, Fire Local Board Member
Todd Cavner, Fire Local Board Member

Call to Order

Chair Meraz called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Roll Call

Members present as listed above.

Public Comment

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

Possible Executive Session

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting: February 15, 2024

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE FEBRUARY 15, 2024, PSPRS POLICE LOCAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES. BOARD MEMBER BOYD SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS HEEREN AND BOYD VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES. ELECTED MEMBER PALIWODA AND CITIZEN MEMBER LEAVITT WERE ABSENT.

2. Discussion and take action regarding moving monthly meetings from two separate meetings to one joint meeting.

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO PERMANENTLY MOVE THE MONTHLY PSPRS MEETINGS FROM TWO SEPARATE MEETINGS TO ONE JOINT MEETING WITH THE SHORTEST AGENDA GOING FIRST. BOARD MEMBER BOYD SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS HEEREN AND BOYD VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES. ELECTED MEMBER PALIWODA AND CITIZEN MEMBER LEAVITT WERE ABSENT.

Chair Meraz offered an opportunity for comments from both Board Members and the public.

Steve Springborn, Fire Local Board Member, expressed concern about scheduling both meetings as a single joint meeting, in part because having a joint agenda could present an issue if one group finishes their business and leaves and then a topic related to both groups is brought up. He recommended that the meetings remain as two separate meetings, but both with a 9:00 a.m. start time, taking the shortest agenda first.

Ms. Kelley suggested that an agenda item for a "Possible Joint Meeting" be included on both agendas.

Chair Meraz commented that his understanding was that, in an effort to respect everyone's time, the intent was to continue to hold separate meetings with one start time so that there would not be a gap between meetings.

Board Member Heeren offered an amendment to his motion as follows:

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO PERMANENTLY SCHEDULE BOTH THE PSPRS BOARD MEETINGS FOR A 9:00 A.M. START TIME WITH THE INTENTION OF HOLDING THE BOARD MEETING WITH FEWER AGENDA ITEMS FIRST, AND INCLUDING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A JOINT MEETING ON EACH AGENDA. BOARD MEMBER BOYD SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS HEEREN AND BOYD VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES. ELECTED MEMBER PALIWODA AND CITIZEN MEMBER LEAVITT WERE ABSENT.

3. Induction of new City of Scottsdale Police Officers into PSPRS

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO APPROVE THE INDUCTION OF NEW SCOTTSDALE POLICE OFFICERS INTO PSPRS, JACOB KANG WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 29, 2024; MADISON MONTGOMERY, RICK TERRELL, STEVEN WHITE, GUNER WILLIAMS, AND AUSTIN WILSON WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF MARCH 18, 2024. ALL ARE TO BE INDUCTED WITH PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS, IF ANY, AS NOTED ON THE LISTINGS INCLUDED WITH THE BOARD PACKET INTO PSPRS. BOARD MEMBER BOYD SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS HEEREN AND BOYD VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES. ELECTED MEMBER PALIWODA AND CITIZEN MEMBER LEAVITT WERE ABSENT.

5. Report to the Board on recently completed service transfers

There were no recently completed service transfers.

6. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items

Fire Board Member Todd Cavner reiterated his suggestion that a recap of the PTSD presentation be scheduled.

Adjournment

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. BOARD MEMBER BOYD SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED THREE (3) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS HEEREN AND BOYD VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES. ELECTED MEMBER PALIWODA AND CITIZEN MEMBER LEAVITT WERE ABSENT.

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m. Recorded and Transcribed by eScribers, LLC.