



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

**MINUTES**

Thursday, April 20, 2023

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

**PRESENT:** Hugo Meraz, Chairperson/Mayoral Designee  
Monica Boyd, Citizen Member/Merit Head  
Ken Strobeck, Citizen Member  
Rodger Paliwoda, Elected Member  
Matt Heeren, Elected Member

**STAFF:** Autumn Asmus, PSPRS Local Board Secretary  
Darlene Ganger, Senior HR Benefits Analyst

**GUESTS:** Cindy Kelley, PSPRS Local Board Attorney

**Call to Order**

Chair Meraz called the meeting to order at 9:06 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 Executive Session Meeting Minutes from February 16, 2023

BOARD MEMBER STROBECK MOVED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 16, 2023, PSPRS POLICE LOCAL BOARD MEETING. BOARD MEMBER HEEREN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS STROBECK, BOYD, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES

### 2. Approval of Minutes

#### a. Regular Meeting: February 16, 2023

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### 3. Approval of 2022 PSPRS Police Local Board Annual Report

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO APPROVE THE 2022 PSPRS POLICE LOCAL BOARD ANNUAL REPORT. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS STROBECK, BOYD, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES

### 4. Discussion and vote on the Accidental Disability Retirement Application of Police Officer Michelle Mattlin

Ms. Asmus noted that Police Officer Michelle Mattlin **will retire on \*\*\*** with 19.767 years of service. Her monthly benefit is \$4,159.15. All of her paperwork is in order.

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN 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 POLICE OFFICER MICHELLE MATTLIN. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS STROBECK, BOYD, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES

Board Members reviewed and agreed upon answers to questions on the P5-LB-A form.

5. Vote on reinstatement of Craig Abernathy – Retired 4/24/18, Rehire 4/10/23, his Title is Police Civilian Investigator, which is not a public safety or PSPRS contribution position

BOARD MEMBER HEEREN MOVED TO APPROVE THE REINSTATEMENT OF CRAIG ABERNATHY AS A POLICE CIVILIAN INVESTIGATOR. BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS STROBECK, BOYD, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES

6. Induction of new City of Scottsdale Police Officers into PSPRS, if any

BOARD MEMBER STROBECK MOVED TO APPROVE THE INDUCTION OF NEW SCOTTSDALE POLICE OFFICERS, MICHAEL ARRATA, LENA-MAY HAUGHT, AND KENNETH KOMUREK WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF MARCH 27, 2023; ALEXEY EISEN WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF APRIL 9, 2023; ALEXIS FUNK, TIM MEJIA, AVA MONIZ, AND NICHOLAS ZERMENO WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF APRIL 17, 2023. THEY WILL BE INDUCTED WITH PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS, IF ANY, AS NOTED ON THE LISTING THAT IS INCLUDED WITH THE BOARD PACKET INTO PSPRS.

7. Report to the Board on recently completed service transfers

There were no recently completed service transfers.

8. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items

Future agenda items could include:

- PTSD training

### **Adjournment**

BOARD MEMBER PALIWODA MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. BOARD MEMBER STROBECK SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). CHAIR MERAZ, BOARD MEMBERS STROBECK, BOYD, PALIWODA, AND HEEREN VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. THERE WERE NO DISSENTING VOTES.

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

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