

# Minutes

## Tempe Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board

### May 4, 2023

Minutes of the Tempe Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board meeting hosted virtually via Cisco WebEx and in person at the Human Resources Conference Room located at 20 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street Tempe, AZ 85281 on Thursday May 4, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

**Board Members Present (via Cisco WebEx):** Andy Arredondo  
Johnny Tse

**Board Members Present (in person):** Keith Burke  
Alex Moreno  
Rob Ferraro

**Board Members Absent:**

**City Staff Present (via Cisco WebEx):** Nicole Martinez, Workers Compensation Specialist

**City Staff Present (in person):** Kathleen Broman, HR Manager  
Sarah Jenkins, Management Assistant II  
Matt Quick, HR Specialist

**Legal Counsel Present:** Lesli Sorensen

*Chair Keith Burke called the meeting to order at 2:21 p.m.*

#### 1. Consideration of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Alex Moreno to approve the March 2, 2023 Police PSPRS Board Meeting Minutes and the March 2, 2023 Police Executive Session Meeting Minutes; second by Rob Ferraro. Motion passed on a voice vote 5-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro, Moreno and Tse

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### 2. Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session, if necessary

Motion by Rob Ferraro to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board's Legal Counsel and to discuss records confidential by law; second by Alex Moreno. Motion passed on a voice vote 5-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro, Moreno and Tse

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 2:22 p.m. The Board reconvened at 3:11 p.m.

#### 3. New Members

Motion by Alex Moreno to approve the new member applications of **Luiz Gonzalez, Michael Kirkland, Sean Shields (pre-existing condition), and Benjamin Trotter (pre-existing condition)**; second by Rob Ferraro. Motion passed on a voice vote 5-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro, Moreno and Tse

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **4. Hearing on the Application for Accidental Disability Benefits for Jeffrey Corder (continued from April 7, 2022, October 6, 2022 and March 2, 2023)**

Chair Burke said that this is the continuation of the hearing on the application for accidental disability benefits for Jeffrey Corder. At the April 7, 2022 meeting the Board approved moving Mr. Corder forward to an Independent Medical Examination (IME). At the October 6, 2022 meeting the Board agreed to table the application for no more than 12 months so the applicant can obtain treatment as recommended by the Board's Medical Board. Mr. Corder, or his attorney, shall provide updated treatment records and other relevant information by April 3, 2023 and July 31, 2023 so that the matter may be considered at a future meeting.

At the March 2, 2023 meeting, the Board received updated treatment records but asked for additional time to review the information submitted by Mr. Norris. At today's hearing, the board must determine whether the documentation is sufficient to be sent to the Medical Board for further review.

Motion by Alex Moreno to approve that the updated treatment records be sent to the Board's Medical Board; Second by Rob Ferraro. Motion passed on a voice vote 5-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro, Moreno and Tse

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **5. Initial Hearing on the Application for Accidental Disability Benefits for Anthony Miller**

Chair Burke stated that this is the initial hearing on the application for accidental disability benefits for **Anthony Miller**. At today's hearing, the Board must determine whether the documentation submitted is sufficient to conclude that the statutory requirements are satisfied for the Board to direct that he be sent for an Independent Medical Exam (IME).

Chair Burke opened the item for discussion. Boardmember Ferraro said that, in reviewing the records provided to the board, there is an indication of permanent and total disability, however additional records indicate further planned treatment and a reassessment in 60 days.

Motion by Rob Ferraro to table this item, tentatively to the August 2023 meeting, until the reassessment has occurred, and the records are received by the Board; Second by Alex Moreno. Motion passed on a voice vote 5-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro, Moreno and Tse

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **6. Reinstatement of Pension Benefits for Jeffrey Glover**

Acting Board Secretary, Kathleen Broman said that per Arizona Revised Statutes § 38-849, PSPRS Local Boards are responsible for reviewing the reinstatement of pension benefits for retired members who were employed in a PSPRS position after retirement. Jeffrey Glover retired from the Tempe Police Department via normal retirement on February 13, 2020. He was employed again on October 12, 2020, and then left employment on February 16, 2023.

The Board acknowledged Jeffrey Glover's termination from the Tempe Police Department on February 16, 2023.

#### **7. Future Meeting Date**

The next meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2023

#### **8. Future Agenda Items**

Boardmember Ferraro requests that staff and the Board's legal counsel research and develop board policies regarding accidental disability applications. This process would take place over several board meetings and include training and written policies.

#### **9. Public Appearances**

There were no public appearances.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Rob Ferraro; second by Alex Moreno. Motion passed on a voice vote 5-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro, Moreno and Tse

Nays: None

Absent: None

The meeting adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

  
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Rebecca Stnsko, Local Board Secretary