



**PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT SYSTEM
CITY OF SURPRISE LOCAL BOARD – POLICE**
Minutes, Wednesday, September 14, 2022
16000 N. Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, Arizona 85374

The following are the minutes from the City of Surprise Public Safety Retirement Commission – Police meeting held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 14, 2022. The meeting was held in City Hall, Council Chambers.

A. Call To Order

Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

B. Roll Call: Skip Hall, Chair – Present
James Conner, Appointed Member – Present
Kim Drayden, Appointed Member – Present
Severin Hall, Police Department – Present
Christopher Thomas, Police Department – Present

In attendance: Cynthia Kelley, Legal Counsel
Ariana Reyna, PSPRS Board Secretary

C. Pledge of Allegiance – Completed

D. Current Events Reports - None

E. Staff Reports – Ariana Reyna informed the Board that the only Staff Report was regarding regular agenda item #3. She asked for the medical examination records for Lateral Police Lieutenant Kendall Moreland to be excluded from the Board's consideration and decision as Lt. Moreland is already an actual PSPRS retiree and will not be contributing into the system. He actively contributes into ASRS instead. Board acknowledged.

F. Call to the Public – None

Consent Agenda:

- 1. Considerations and action pertaining to the review and approval of the July 20, 2022 Public Safety Retirement Commission – Police Executive Session Meeting Minutes – APPROVED**

Motion to Approve: Kim Drayden
Second: Severin Hall
Opposed: None

James Conner mentioned that the formatting of the executive session meeting minutes should accurately reflect in the first page for the Board to easily identify and clarify; compare actual minutes vs. executive session meeting minutes. Based on this feedback, the Board Secretary agreed to change the format so executive session start time is a clear indication of when the Board motioned to enter executive session.

Amended Motion to Approve ES Minutes starting at 10:33 a.m.:

James Conner

Second: Severin Hall

Opposed: None

2. Considerations and action pertaining to the review and approval of the July 20, 2022 Public Safety Retirement Commission – Police Meeting Minutes – APPROVED

Motion to Approve: James Conner

Second: Severin Hall

Opposed: None

Regular Agenda:

3. Consideration and possible action pertaining to the review of medical examinations and the acceptance of Lateral Police Lieutenant: Patrick G. Valenzuela as well as Lateral Police Officer Andrea R. Tenuta into the PSPRS system pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-859 – APPROVED.

Ariana Reyna stated that Lateral Police Lieutenant: Patrick G. Valenzuela was hired on July 25, 2022 and Lateral Police Officer Andrea R. Tenuta was hired on June 27, 2022 with the Surprise Police Dept. The employees were officially notified of the Board's review of their medical records today.

Motion was made to approve Police employees into the PSPRS system as follows:

Patrick G. Valenzuela WITH preexisting conditions

Andrea R. Tenuta WITHOUT preexisting conditions

Motion to Approve: James Conner

Second: Severin Hall *(with the exclusion of Lt. Kendall Moreland as previously discussed during Staff Reports as he retired out of the PSPRS)*



Opposed: None

- 4. Discussion and possible action to enter Executive Session and review the Independent Medical Exam report and medical records exempt from public inspection regarding the Accidental Disability application submitted by former Police Officer Jonathan W. Huston – DENIED.**

Ariana Reyna notified the Board that she received an addendum to Mr. Huston's records and she distributed this addendum in the Boards' packets for review and consideration

Motion to ENTER Executive Session at 10:37 a.m.: James Conner

Second: Severin Hall

Opposed: None

DISCUSSION ENSUED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION, WHICH TOOK PLACE FROM 10:32 AM – 10:52 AM

Severin Hall made a motion stating that after the Board reviewed and discussed the Independent Medical Examination and based on the report findings that Mr. Huston's condition is not permanent, he motioned to deny the accidental disability application for former Police Officer Jonathan W. Huston. Severin also mentioned that as required, the Board would send a letter to the member and the original application would be sent to PSPRS for review.

Motion to Approve: Severin Hall

Second: James Conner

Opposed: None

G. Other Business and Future Agenda Items- None

H. Executive Session – None

I. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 10:54 a.m. – **APPROVED**

Motion: Severin Hall

Second: James Conner

Opposed: None



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Meeting Minutes Approval:

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Skip Hall, Chair
Public Safety Retirement Commission - Police

CERTIFICATION:

I, Ariana Reyna, Board Secretary and HR Business Partner for the City of Surprise, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby verify that these are true and correct meeting minutes of the Public Safety Retirement Commission – Police Meeting of **Wednesday, September 14, 2022.**

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Ariana Reyna, Board Secretary
Public Safety Retirement Commission - Police