

**PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

**MINUTES OF FIRE FIGHTER’S MEETING**

October 14, 2008

The regular meeting of the Tucson **Fire** Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board was held on Tuesday, October 14, 2008, on the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Finance Conference Room, City of Tucson, City Hall, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson, Arizona. Chair Robert Walkup called the **Fire** Board meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

**Fire Board Members:**

Present:                Robert Walkup                Chair  
                              Marion Pickens                Member  
                              Debra Hillary                Member  
                              Brian Delfs                Member  
                              Roger Tamietti                Member

Staff Present:        Elizabeth Martinez – Police and Fire Board Secretary  
                              Dee Dee Roberts-Meech – Police and Fire Board Staff  
                              Kathy Maish – Executive Assistant/Finance Department  
                              David McEvoy – Police and Fire Board Attorney

Also Present:        Mike Gurr – Police Board Member  
                              J. D. Kragnes – Police Board Member  
                              Jim Parks – Police System Member  
                              Patrick Arendt – Police System Member

**2. POLICE CONSENT AGENDA: ITEMS A – I**

- A.    MINUTES FOR APPROVAL – 09/08/08
  
- B.    PENSION PAYROLL – Addition of Normal Service Retirement for Stephen Healy amount pending. Addition of Permanent Accidental Disability Retirement for John Cammarano amount Pending
  
- C.    NORMAL SERVICE RETIREMENT  
      Stephen Healy - Last day worked 09/29/08 – Pension effective 10/01/08
  
- D.    PERMANENT ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY PENSION

John Cammarano – Last day worked 09/09/08 – Pension effective 10/01/08

- E. DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN  
Alison T. Scott – Election to participate in the DROP 09/30/08
- F. REDEMPTION OF PRIOR SERVICE  
Alison T. Scott – Redemption of service 4.660 years from Fairbanks Alaska Police to Tucson Police in the amount of \$82,140.00
- G. TRANSFER OF SERVICE  
Douglas Marcotte – 3.3511 years of prior service with the Tucson Police to the Airport Police in the amount of \$7,947.96.
- H. EXPENDITURE STATEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00 FOR APPLICATION PHYSICAL for James Parks and ANNUAL PHYSICAL for Sean O'Brien by Dr. Dennis Thrasher at Sunnyside Medicenter.
- I. RETAINER FEE OF \$400 PLUS COSTS-DAVID McEVOY, ATTORNEY

The Fire Board requires no action because this is a Police Board item.

### **3. FIRE CONSENT AGENDA: ITEMS A – F**

- A. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL – 09/08/08
- B. PENSION PAYROLL - Addition of Normal Service Retirement for Daniel Cross out of DROP in the amount of \$3,091.15. Addition of Normal Service Retirement for Nicholas Dmitroff out of DROP in the amount of \$2,996.55. Addition of Normal Service Retirement for Daniel Newburn out of DROP in the amount of \$8,341.36
- C. NORMAL SERVICE RETIREMENT  
Daniel Cross – Last day worked 09/29/08 – pension effective 10/01/08  
Nicholas Dmitroff – Last day worked 09/28/08 – pension effective 10/01/08  
Daniel Newburn – Last day worked 09/12/08 – pension effective 10/01/08
- D. REDEMPTION OF PRIOR SERVICE  
Roberto Torres – Redemption of service 1.00 years from prior Military Service to Tucson Fire in the amount of \$22,672.00
- E. TRANSFER OF SERVICE

Thomas Kehoe – Transfer of prior service from Drexel Heights Fire to Tucson Fire 4.9555 years of service in the amount of \$15,410.86

F. RETAINER FEE OF \$400 PLUS COSTS-DAVID McEVOY, ATTORNEY

**MOTION** by Mr. Delfs seconded by Mr. Tamietti that Fire Board Items A – F are adopted with changes as noted and the appropriate action taken. Motion **CARRIED** by a roll call vote of 5-0.

**4. APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION - Discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection A.R.S. 38-431.03[2] and discussion or consultation for legal advice with attorney staff A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A [3 & 4])**

**Police** – Attachments

**There was no executive session**

**Phase One**

Patrick Arendt – Medical Packet Permanent Accidental Disability Application

**Phase Two**

Veronica Morken - Medical Packet Permanent Accidental Disability Application  
James Parks – Medical Packet Permanent Accidental Disability from Temporary Disability

**5. APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT**

**Direction regarding Executive Session**

**Phase One**

Patrick Arendt

The Fire Board requires no action because this is a Police Board item.

**Phase Two**

Veronica Morken  
James Parks

The Fire Board requires no action because this is a Police Board item.

- 6. CONSIDERATION OF RULE 17 – ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXECUTIVE SESSION Discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection A.R.S. 38-431.03[2] and discussion or consultation for legal advice with attorney staff A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A [3 & 4])**

**Police** – Attachments

Stephen Hippel - DOR: 10/28/97 DOH: 05/13/92 Last Physical: 10/23/06

**There was no executive session**

- 7. CONSIDERATION OF RULE 17 – ANNUAL PHYSICAL Board Direction Regarding Executive Session**

**Police**

Stephen Hippel

The Fire Board requires no action because this is a Police Board item.

- 8. PSPRS BOARD MEMBER VACANCY**

**Police & Fire**

Ms. Martinez recognized Ms. Hillary as the newest member of the Police and Fire Boards. Ms. Hillary said it was her pleasure to serve and looked forward to working with the other board members.

- 9. REQUEST FOR ADDRESSES**

**Police & Fire**

Discussion ensued regarding a request by Ms. Beauzry for addresses of police and fire personnel who retired after December 2007. The request was on behalf of two members of the City Council.

Mr. Delfs asked Ms. Martinez if she knew what the nature of the material was they were sending out. To the best of her knowledge, it was to congratulate members on their retirement.

Mr. Gurr said it has long been the practice of the Police Department to safeguard the personal information of its commissioned members. In order to comply with previous requests for this type of information, the material was delivered to the board office where the mailing labels were affixed.

As a courtesy, after each Board meeting, Mr. Gurr sends email to Ms. Trasoff, a member of the PSPRS subcommittee. In that correspondence, he provides the names of commissioned members who are retiring. In most instances that would allow the council members an opportunity to communicate with our members before they leave employment with the city.

Mr. Delfs asked Ms. Martinez in what instances had we granted the release of our retired members information. In the past, the board office has released information to the Retired Fire Fighter's Association. In addition, information was released to Employee Benefits when they had a need to contact retired members about changes in the medical insurance.

Mr. McEvoy believes that this is not the role of the Boards and they should not be an easy conduit for that. He felt that they should say no because these are private addresses and the Boards should error on the side of protecting the members. Especially in this day and age, the interest of the member and the consideration of their privacy should be respected.

Finally, Mr. McEvoy said the role of these Boards is to administer and make decisions about retirements and qualifications for benefits.

## **10. BOARD PHYSICIAN CONTRACT**

### **Police & Fire – Attachment**

Ms. Martinez provided copies of the proposal for an increase in fees from Dr. Thrasher's office. She also provided copies of a bid proposal from Medical Consultants Network. This item will appear on next month's agenda for inclusion and approval for the 2009/10 budget.

## **11. FUND INFORMATION**

## **PSPRS BOARD OFFICE RELOCATION**

### **Police & Fire**

The relocation of the board office is complete. The office remains on the first floor of City Hall; however, we are now on the east side and our office is located within the TSRS office. Our phone number, 791-4282, remains the same.

Mr. Delfs said the Fund Manager is providing weekly updates about the condition of the fund due to the current state of the economy. The summary provides the state charter number, which guarantees that our member's pensions are secure, regardless of what happens to the fund. This information is available at [www.PSPRS.com](http://www.PSPRS.com)

### **12. ADJOURNMENT 9:38 a.m.**

#### **Fire**

**MOTION** by Mr. Tamietti, seconded by Mr. Delfs to adjourn. Motion **CARRIED** unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Tucson Police and Fire Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Boards is scheduled for 9:00 A.M. on **Tuesday November 4, 2008** in the Finance Department Conference Room, Fifth floor of City Hall, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson, AZ.

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**Elizabeth Martinez, Board Secretary**

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**Robert Walkup, Chair**

**VERBATIM TAPE RECORD ON FILE IN THE TUCSON POLICE AND FIRE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARDS' OFFICE LOCATED AT CITY HALL, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR WEST, 255 W. ALAMEDA, TUCSON, ARIZONA – AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.**