



**SUMMARIZED MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (POLICE)
OF THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023, AT 4:30 PM

(To watch the full video of the meeting, please visit www.clarkdale.az.gov – agendas & minutes)

Members Present: Chair Ben Kramer; Commissioners Rob Robbins, Joe Candelaria, Mallory Denzler, Derek Johnston

Other Municipal Officials Present: Angela Benavides, Human Resources/Risk Director; Charity Brooks, Town Clerk; Julie Goucher, Finance Director; Kristine Capite, Finance Manager

Zoom: No members of the public were present.

Audience: No members of the public were present.

1. CALL TO ORDER - *Chair Ben Kramer called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.*

2. ROLL CALL – *All members present.*

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – *No public comment.*

4. INTRODUCTIONS

A. New Board Members

Chair Ben Kramer led the introduction of Derek Johnston, Joe Candelaria and Mallory Denzler to the PSPRS Board.

Comments and congratulations were made from the board.

5. MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes

Considered and approved the minutes from the regular meeting held on Aug. 3, 2022.

Action: Approval of minutes from Aug. 3, 2022:

Motion: Rob Robbins

Second: Mallory Denzler

Vote: 5-0

Ben Kramer	Aye
Rob Robbins	Aye
Derek Johnston	Aye
Joe Candelaria	Aye
Mallory Denzler	Aye

6. NEW BUSINESS**A. APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD SECRETARY**

Discuss, consider and act upon the appointment of Human Resources Director Angela Benavides as the Board Secretary.

Action: Appoint Angela Benavides as Board Secretary:

Motion: Ben Kramer

Second: Rob Robbins

Vote: 5-0

Ben Kramer	Aye
Rob Robbins	Aye
Derek Johnston	Aye
Joe Candelaria	Aye
Mallory Denzler	Aye

B. ACCEPTANCE OF WITHDRAWAL OF MEMBER FROM PENSION SYSTEM

Discuss, consider and act upon the withdrawal of Police Officer Jacqueline Montijo from the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System.

Action: Accept the withdrawal of Jacqueline Montijo from the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System and from the PSPRS Board:

Motion: Rob Robbins

Second: Mallory Denzler

Vote: 5-0

Ben Kramer	Aye
Rob Robbins	Aye
Derek Johnston	Aye
Joe Candelaria	Aye
Mallory Denzler	Aye

C. ACCEPTANCE OF NEW OFFICERS INTO PENSION SYSTEM

Discuss, consider and act upon the acceptance of Police Officers Aaron King, Tristin Leach and Jordan Taylor into the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS).

Comments and questions from the Board.

Action: Accept Police Officers Aaron King, Tristin Leach and Jordan Taylor into the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System with no pre-existing conditions:

Motion: Mallory Denzler

Second: Rob Robbins

Vote: 5-0

Ben Kramer	Aye
Rob Robbins	Aye
Derek Johnston	Aye
Joe Candelaria	Aye
Mallory Denzler	Aye

D. BOARD REVIEW OF THE 2021 AND 2022 ANNUAL ACTUARIAL VALUATION

Discuss, consider and act upon the acceptance of the 2021 and 2022 annual actuarial reports.

Actuarial Report Presentation by Julie Goucher, Finance Director.

Comments and questions from the Board.

Action: Approve the 2021 and 2022 Actuarial Valuation Reports as presented:

Motion: Ben Kramer

Second: Rob Robbins

Vote: 5-0

Ben Kramer	Aye
Rob Robbins	Aye
Derek Johnston	Aye
Joe Candelaria	Aye
Mallory Denzler	Aye

E. INDEPENDENT LEGAL COUNSEL

Discussion only regarding the State Legislature amended A.R.S. § 38-847 effective Jan. 1, 2022, to require that the local PSPRS board hire independent legal counsel.

Comments and questions from the Board.

Action: Approve appointment of Legal Council, Lesli Sorensen to the Town of Clarkdale PSPRS Board:

Motion: Rob Robbins

Second: Ben Kramer

Vote: 5-0

Ben Kramer	Aye
Rob Robbins	Aye

Derek Johnston	Aye
Joe Candelaria	Aye
Mallory Denzler	Aye

F. SEVEN YEAR DROP PROGRAM

Discussion only regarding the conditional service extensions to DROP participation that were approved by State lawmakers and Governor Ducey.

Comments and questions from the Board.

G. ADDITIONAL PHYSICALS

Discussion only regarding additional physicals prior to and after attending the academy.

Comments and questions from the Board.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (Police) did not propose items to be placed on a future agenda.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Action: Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Ben Kramer

Second: Joe Candelaria

Vote: 5-0

Ben Kramer	Aye
Rob Robbins	Aye
Derek Johnston	Aye
Joe Candelaria	Aye
Mallory Denzler	Aye

Chair Ben Kramer adjourned the meeting without objection at 5:01 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Angela Benavides

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Angela Benavides, Local Board Secretary

Approved by:

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Ben Kramer

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Ben Kramer, Chair