

**Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board**  
Goodyear City Hall - La Jolla Conference Room (2nd Floor)  
1900 N. Civic Square  
Goodyear, AZ 85395



**Thursday, August 27, 2026**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Meeting Minutes**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Kaino called the Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Chair Laura Kaino; Vice Chair Jay Mathias; Boardmember Jason Bayer

**Absent:** Boardmember Jason Costello; Boardmember Teresa Kuleff

**Staff** Lesli Sorensen, Board Attorney; Jasmine Pernicano, Board Secretary; Lyman Locket,  
**Present:** Human Resources Director; Chanda Washington, Benefits Analyst; Maria Carrillo,  
Benefits Analyst

**MOTION BY Boardmember Jason Bayer, SECONDED BY Vice Chair Jay Mathias to EXCUSE Boardmember Jason Costello and Teresa Kuleff. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **BUSINESS**

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve the draft minutes of the July 16, 2026, Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting.

**MOTION BY Vice Chair Jay Mathias, SECONDED BY Boardmember Jason Bayer to APPROVE the draft minutes of the July 16, 2026, Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

2. Review, consideration, and possible action on the application, medical records and related documentation for Accidental Disability – Michael Guilbault (*continued from May 14, 2026*)

Michael Guilbault, applicant, was present for the meeting.

Lesli Sorensen, Board Attorney, verified that Mr. Guilbault did not waive his right to confidentiality, and therefore, the Board held any further discussion in Executive Session.

The Board entered into Executive Session for Item 2 at 8:06 a.m.

Without objection, the Board reconvened the Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting at 8:10 a.m.

**MOTION BY Vice Chair Jay Mathias, SECONDED BY Boardmember Jason Bayer to APPROVE the application for accidental disability for Michael Guilbault. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

Lesli Sorensen, Board Attorney, reviewed the Accidental Disability Questionnaire with the Board.

1. Did the employee file the application after the disabling incident, or within one year of ceasing to be an employee? Yes.
2. Did (or will) the employee terminate by a reason of disability? Yes.
3. Did employment terminate based on a disciplinary issue? No.
4. If the member's period of DROP has ended, if applicable, did (or will) the employee terminate by a reason of disability? Not applicable.
5. Is the employee still working a position within their job classification that the Local Board considers a reasonable range of duties position? No.
6. Has the employee refused a position within their job classification that the Local Board considered a reasonable range of duties? No.
7. Did the injury or condition occur prior to the current PSPRS membership date? No.
8. Was the injury or condition the result of an event incurred during the performance of the employee's duty? Yes.

The Board acknowledged and thanked Mr. Guilbault for his years of service to the city.

3. Review, consideration, and possible action on the Accidental Disability application, medical records, and related documentation for Rebecca York, PSPRS Employer Arizona Department of Public Safety, as provided for in the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) (*continued from May 14, 2026*)

Rebecca York, applicant, was present for the meeting via Teams videoconference.

Lesli Sorensen, Board Attorney, verified that Ms. York did not waive her right to confidentiality, and therefore, the Board held any further discussion in Executive Session.

The Board entered into Executive Session for Item 3 at 8:16 a.m.

Without objection, the Board reconvened the Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting at 8:41 a.m.

**MOTION BY Boardmember Jason Bayer, SECONDED BY Vice Chair Jay Mathias to ACCEPT the application for accidental disability for Rebecca York and appoint a medical board to conduct an Independent Medical Examination (IME). The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

4. Review, discuss and possible action on the disability recipients for Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board.

The Board entered into Executive Session for Item 4 at 8:46 a.m.

Without objection, the Board reconvened the Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board meeting at 9:15 a.m.

**MOTION BY Vice Chair Jay Mathias, SECONDED BY Boardmember Jason Bayer to DIRECT Counsel to request the medical records of disability recipient Kyle Cluff in anticipation of appointing an Independent Medical Board to review the accidental disability. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

5. Review, discussion and possible action on the applications for entry into the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System conditionally approved on July 16, 2026:

- Borquez, Steven - New Hire (Lateral)
- Brajevich, Kurtis - New Hire (Lateral)
- Bratton, Cody - New Hire (Lateral)
- Harris, Michael - New Hire (Lateral)
- Pepe, Ethan - New Hire (Lateral)
- Rubio, Juan - New Hire (Lateral)
- Wright, Andrew - New Hire (Lateral)

Jasmine Pernicano, Board Secretary, reported that additional medical records were still being compiled and that additional information remained outstanding.

The Board tabled the item for consideration at its next meeting. No action was taken.

6. Update on new hire process and associated police forms.

Lyman Locket, Human Resources Director, provided a brief update on the new hire process and ongoing work to create standardized packets and improve communication between the parties to support the Board's evaluation of pre-existing conditions.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Per ARS §38-431.03, upon a public majority vote of the members constituting a quorum, the Goodyear Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board may hold an executive session for any item on the agenda.

[See times noted above.]

**MOTION BY Boardmember Jason Bayer, SECONDED BY Vice Chair Jay Mathias to CONVENE an Executive Session for Item 2. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

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**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

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**AYE: Chair Laura Kaino, Vice Chair Jay Mathias, Boardmember Jason Bayer**

Passed - Unanimously

#### SEPARATIONS

7. Acknowledge the following separation:

- Tyler Edens 07/30/2026

The Board acknowledged the separation listed.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS

Vice Chair Mathias recognized Nikki Cross, Loss Control Specialist, for the work she is doing onsite with departments.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Chair Kaino stated that the next meeting tentatively scheduled for September 17, 2026, will be rescheduled.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Kaino adjourned the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Jasmine Pernicano, Board Secretary

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Laura Kaino, Chair

Date:\_\_\_\_\_