

## **Blue Ridge Fire District**

## PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM LOCAL BOARD

MINUTES of Board Meeting held October 21, 2023

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Chairperson Mike Bourne called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Chuck Buddle

Absent

Ryan MacNeal

Absent

Mike Bourne

Present

**Brandon Sewell** 

Present

**Judy Varns** 

Present

## 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairperson Mike Bourne asked for a Motion to adopt the Agenda. Captain Sewell so moved; Ms. Varns seconded the Motion. All voted yes.

The Motion passed.

5. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

## 6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Chairperson Mike Bourne asked for a Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2023. Captain Sewell so moved; Ms. Varns seconded the Motion. All voted yes.
  - The Motion passed.
- **b.** Chairperson Mike Bourne asked for a Motion to discuss and possible action re: the status of the Medical Retirement Fire Fighter. Captain Sewell so moved. Ms. Varns seconded the Motion. All voted yes. **The Motion passed.** 
  - 1. A letter from Chief Buddle was presented to the Board outlining his research for an MRI doctor is Washington state. Mr. Bourne reviewed the law change in the state of Washington that has prompted many MRI doctors to retire. Mr. Bourne will further research MRI doctor options in Washington and Arizona.
  - 2. Mr. Bourne stated that disability injuries are classified as Catastrophic, Ordinary, Temporary or Accidental. Catastrophic disability injuries are required to be reviewed 60 months after the injury. Captain Sewell will contact PSPRS to confirm the exact classification of this injury.
  - 3. Discussion continued and it was determined that further research and information is needed to in order to formulate a plan.
- 7. The next PSPRS Board Meeting is January 19, 2023 at 9:00.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

Respectively submitted:

Beth Wise, Secretary

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