



**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
EVANSTON FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION FUND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 11, 2023**

A special meeting of the Evanston Firefighters' Pension Fund Board of Trustees was held on Friday, August 11, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fire Department Head Quarters Class Room located at 909 Lake Street, Evanston, Illinois 60201 pursuant to notice.

CALL TO ORDER: Trustee Mortell called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Trustees Daniel Philipaitis, Jack Mortell, Jack Conner and Aleks Granchalek

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Alex Michael, Lauterbach & Amen, LLP (L&A); Board Attorney Vince Pinelli, Burke, Burns & Pinelli, Ltd.; Attorney Tom Mazur, The Law Offices of Thomas E. Mazur, Pensioner Jasmine Sandora, Evanston Fire Department, Martina Sandora, Pensioner's Spouse; Court Reporter Annette Moriarty, Metro Reporting Services, Ltd.; Members of the Public

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

CERTIFY SPECIAL ELECTION RESULTS – ACTIVE MEMBER POSITION: L&A conducted a special election for one of the active member positions on the Evanston Firefighters' Pension Fund Board of Trustees. Jack Conner ran unopposed and was elected for an unexpired three-year term ending April 30, 2024. A motion was made by Trustee Mortell and seconded by Trustee Granchalek to certify the active member special election results. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Philipaitis, Mortell, Connor and Granchalek

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

A Court Reporter was present and a verbatim transcript was taken of the Jasmine Sandora Disability Hearing.

HEARING ON DISABILITY STATUS – JASMINE SANDORA, PURSUANT TO 40ILCS5/4-112: Attorney Pinelli reviewed and moved for admission of exhibits 1-5 subject to the objections that counsel made. Evidence was then heard by the Board.

CLOSED SESSION, IF NEEDED: A motion was made by Trustee Mortell and seconded by Trustee Granchalek to enter into closed session at 10:30 a.m. under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(4) of the Open Meetings Act. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Philipaitis, Mortell, Connor and Granchalek

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

A motion was made by Trustee Mortell and seconded by Trustee Granchalek to adjourn closed session and re-enter the special meeting at 11:21 a.m. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Philipaitis, Mortell, Connor and Granchalek
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

HEARING ON DISABILITY STATUS – JASMINE SANDORA, PURSUANT TO 40ILCS5/4-112 (CONTINUED): A motion was made by Trustee Mortell and seconded by Trustee Granchalek to find that Jasmine Sandora has recovered from her initial disability. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Philipaitis, Mortell, Connor and Granchalek
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

A motion was made by Trustee Mortell and seconded by Trustee Granchalek to terminate Jasmine Sandora's duty disability pension pursuant to 40 ILCS5/4-112. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Philipaitis, Mortell, Connor and Granchalek
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Mortell and seconded by Trustee Granchalek to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 a.m. Motion carried by roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Philipaitis, Mortell, Connor and Granchalek
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Board President or Secretary

Minutes approved by the Board of Trustees on _____

Minutes prepared by Alex Michael, Pension Services Administrator, Lauterbach & Amen, LLP