

Winter Park Police Officers' Pension Board



13 August 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

Public Safety Facility • Second Floor
500 North Virginia Avenue • Winter Park, Florida

SPECIAL DISABILITY HEARING

1. Call to order

2. Approval

3. Quarterly Report

4. Attorney Report – Scott Christiansen

WPPD. Rafael Berrios- asking for permission to apply for Disability from WPPD

5. Old business

6. New business

7. Adjournment

transcripts & assistance

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WINTER PARK POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
ELIGIBILITY HEARING /Rafael Berrios
August 13, 2015 3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS: Lt. Kevin Roesner, Chairman
Detective Sam Easterbrook
William Manual, Trustee
Mike Broschart, Trustee

Attendees: Jeffrey Templeton, Administrator
Scott Christiansen, Attorney
Paul Kelly, Attorney for Rafael Berrios
Rafael Berrios

Bryan Templeton
Kathy Reed

Absent: Sandy Modell, Trustee

Chairman Kevin Roesner called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Board Attorney, Scott Christiansen, began the meeting by giving a brief overview of the procedures of this hearing and reviewed what information was gathered prior to this meeting and explained what would be expected of Mr. Kelly in order to present his client's claim successfully to the board. Mr. Christiansen explained that the board is here today to determine if Rafael Berrios is eligible to receive a full inline of duty disability benefits. Mr. Christiansen reviewed the criteria that were needed as outlined in the pension plan that Mr. Berrios was required to meet in order to receive disability benefits.

Prior to this hearing each board member received all medical records, interrogatories of the claimant, personnel file documents and worker's compensation claims and various other documents.


Paul Kelly-Attorney for Rafael Berrios.

Mr. Kelly advised the board of his position and that of his client, Rafael Berrios that he is entitled to receive full inline of duty disability benefits. Mr. Kelly further stated to the board that his client, Rafael Berrios did meet the criteria as outlined in the department's pension plan in order to receive full inline of duty disability benefits. Mr. Kelly reviewed each doctor's findings including those of Dr. Mathias, who on July 25, 2015, performed the IME on Mr. Berrios per the board's attorney's request. Dr. Mathias' stated that Mr. Berrios is totally and permanently disabled from performing his duties as a police officer.

At this time, a brief discussion was held between all parties.

A motion was made by Mr. Manuel and seconded by Mr. Broschart to grant Mr. Rafael Berrios to receive full inline disability benefits effective today August 13, 2015. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned; time is now 3:53 p.m.

 11/5/15