



Winter Park Police Officers' Pension Board Special Disability Hearing for Officer John Reynolds Minutes

October 14, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

Public Safety Facility | Ray Beary Community Room
500 North Virginia Avenue | Winter Park, Florida

Present

Lt. Kevin Roesner, Chairman
Lt. Scott Williams, Vice Chairman/Secretary
Philip Wood, Trustee
William Deuchler, Trustee

Attendees

Jeffrey Templeton, Administrator
Pedro Herrera, Attorney (by phone)
Pamela Marcum, Division Chief
John Reynolds, Officer

Meeting called to order

Chairman, Kevin Roesner, called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

Attorney Herrera advised the Board of the elements needed to find in favor of a disability for Officer John Reynolds. The three elements are:

1. Health
2. Total disability for service as a Winter Park Police Officer
3. Disability needs to be permanent

The attorney advised the Board that if Mr. Reynolds did not agree with the findings of the Board, he could request a formal hearing.

The attorney also advised the Board that the letter received from Louise C. Connell, MD on September 09, 2019, satisfies the requirement of Florida State Statute Chapter 185 for the Board's doctor. The letter also advises that John Reynolds is permanently disabled with stage IV colon cancer.

The letter received by the Board from the City Manager states that Mr. Reynolds is being terminated by the City for health reasons on 10/11/2019.

The Chairman offered Mr. Reynolds to make any statements dealing with his disability.

Mr. Reynolds advised the Board that his stage IV colon cancer has metastasized to his liver which with the treatment has made him extremely weak.

Phil Wood asked the attorney if we are setting a precedence in the way we are handling this disability case. The attorney has advised that the courts have accepted this procedure because of the seriousness of the illness.

Approval

A motion was made by Chairman Kevin Roesner, was seconded by Vice Chair Scott Williams to award John Reynolds a disability retirement. All were in favor.

Adjournment

Chairman Kevin Roesner adjourned the meeting at 12:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Williams, Vice Chairman/Secretary