



# Urbana Police Pension Fund

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## PENSION BOARD HEARING

August 23, 2013, 1:00 PM

### Urbana City Building Conference Room

#### DISABILITY APPLICATION OF POLICE OFFICER, STEVEN SCHARF

Present: Steve Royal, President (Term expires 5/31/14)  
Dave Smysor, Secretary (Term expires 5/14/15)  
Ron Eldridge, Treasurer (Term expires 5/31/15-Mayoral Appointee)  
Earl Hamilton, (Term expires 5/31/13-Mayoral Appointee)  
Doug Pipkins, Assistant Secretary (Term expires 5/31/14)

#### Others

Present: Jim Dobrovolny, Attorney for the Board  
Steven Scharf, Police Officer  
Chris Doscotch, Attorney for S. Scharf

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Motion by S. Royal, second by D. Smysor, to appoint J. Dobrovolny as the Hearing Officer.  
Motion passed unanimously.

#### J. Dobrovolny introduced exhibits:

- #1 Incident Report
- #2 SurgiCenter Surgical Report 1/19/13
- #3 SurgiCenter Surgical Report 8/21/12
- #4 SurgiCenter Surgical Report 1/17/12
- #5 Dr. Bain's Report 11/7/11
- #6 Dr. Nogalski's Report 4/2/13
- #7 Dr. Fletcher's Report 4/22/13
- #9 S. Scharf's Application for Disability
- #10 Notice of S. Scharf's Hearing
- #11 Report of Injury filed w/ City of Urbana, Illinois

There were no objections of the exhibits filed.

The final report of Dr. Fletcher's was substituted w/ exhibit #7. Exhibit #7 exchanged.

S. Scharf was sworn in; questions posed by J. Dobrovolny regarding his work history, details of the incident that lead to his shoulder injury, noticing his injury and reporting it to his supervisor, his 3 surgeries to his left shoulder, w/ each followed by physical therapy; his upcoming surgery; his pain and living adjustment he's made since the injury.

S. Scharf stated prior to this incident, he lead a healthy lifestyle; he had no broken arms, limbs. Since this incident, he discussed his living condition and how this injury has affected his lifestyle.

Doctors Nagolski & Bain have stated he's limited to lifting 20-30#, and unable to push pull w/ his shoulder. With these limitations, he would not be able to work as a police officer. There are no permanent light-duty positions available at Urbana Police Department.

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At 1:20 PM, S. Royal made a motion to go into executive session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2, subsection 2(c)(4) of the Opens Meetings Act. Seconded by D. Smysor, followed by voice vote by R. Eldridge (aye), E. Hamilton (aye), D. Pipkins (aye).

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At 1:30 PM, the Board re-convened to its regular session; S. Scharf and C. Doscotch returned. All members present previously in open and closed sessions are present in the re-convened session.

Motion by S. Royal, that S. Scharf is disabled from police work. D. Smysor seconded motion; w/ R. Eldridge (aye) D. Pipkins (aye) and E. Hamilton (aye). Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by S. Royal that S. Scharf's injury occurred in the line of duty, in the performance of his police officer duties. Motion seconded by D. Smysor, w/ D. Pipkins (aye), R. Eldridge (aye), and E. Hamilton (aye). Motion passed unanimously.

The effective date is when he filed his application w/ the Fund or his last paycheck received from the City. D. Smysor will follow-up regarding the effective date.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen R. Snyder*

Recording Secretary

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014.

*David G. Smysor*  
David G. Smysor, Secretary