

May 12, 2022, Regular Board Meeting

7:30 – 9:00 AM

Minutes – Board Meeting (held via teleconference and in person)

Attendance

S3R3 Solutions Members physically present: Bill Butler, Johnnie Perkins, Scott Simmons

S3R3 Solutions Members present via teleconference: Greg Birchell, Al French

S3R3 Solutions Members absent: Breean Beggs, Larry Krauter

S3R3 Solutions Staff physically present: Todd Coleman, Executive Director; Karen Corkins, Project Manager; Sueann Herkel, Executive Assistant

S3R3 Solutions Staff present via teleconference: Taudd Hume, Legal Counsel

Guests physically present: None

Guests present via teleconference: Mark Burrus, Kathryn Miller

Meeting called to order 7:32 AM.

Welcome and Introductions:

Board Chair Bill Butler requested roll call of Board, quorum present.

Public Comment/Courtesy of the Floor:

Public Comment was requested by Board Chair Bill Butler, no comments were made.

Other Business (Unfinished)

Board Chair Bill Butler asked Legal Counsel Taudd Hume to give an update on the Fiber Reimbursement Agreement Language. Mr. Hume addressed the proposed language for the Limited Waiver of Sovereignty. Mr. Hume explained the waiver acknowledges that S3R3 could sue in State or Federal court once the tribal options were exhausted. Board Chair Bill Butler questioned if there are risk concerns for S3R3 given the proposed language. Both legal counsel and Todd Coleman, Executive Director of S3R3, reminded the Board that the entities must agree to several exhibits prior to executing of this agreement that will significantly better define the project, thus reducing risk. Several of the board members remarked from their experience this language is significantly more accommodating. Board Chair Bill Butler abstained from the conversation regarding the Kalispel Tribe and fiber. The board members present agreed that the language was acceptable and requested the Action Item be brought back to the Board in June.

Action Item No 1 – Consent Agenda

Board Chair Bill Butler requested comment on Consent Agenda Action Item No 1 which included minutes for the April 14, 2022, Board Meeting and financials for April 1-30, 2022. Hearing none, Board Chair Bill Butler called for a motion, regarding the April Board Minutes. Board Member Greg Birchell motioned for approval, Board Treasurer Al French seconded, motion passed unanimously. Board Chair Bill Butler called for a motion regarding the April Financials; Board Member Johnnie Perkins motioned for approval, Board Member Scott Simmons seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Action Item No 2 – Authorize a Contract for Marketing, Social Media, and SEO Services

Executive Director Todd Coleman explained the contract being considered is consistent with Goal No 2 of S3R3's Strategic Plan by focusing on marketing to the advanced manufacturing and aerospace industries. Through the process of solicitation and reviewing several proposals with the help of Board Member Greg Birchell, Big Sky Public Relations is the preferred team to support the next several years of marketing efforts. The contract would include a social media presence and an update to the website to include an interactive map. The contract would be for an initial term of one year with two one-year options and would be a not-to-exceed amount of \$54,014.40. Board Chair Bill Butler called for a motion regarding authorizing the Executive Director to execute contract with Big Sky Public Relations. Board Member Scott Simmons motioned for approval, Board Member Johnnie Perkins seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Project Updates, Presentations and Briefings

Revenue Sharing Agreement Update – A concept to solve the revenue sharing of retail sales tax was discussed. Using 2018 as a base year, the County will apply retail sales tax to all Public Development Authorities (PDA) while giving consideration to unique contributions made by each PDA. Scott Simmons, Chief Executive Office for Spokane County and S3R3 Board Member remarked that although it is a complicated process to calculate retail sales tax, the City and County can show methodology. Board Members, in general, were grateful that this matter seems to be coming to a close.

12th Avenue, specifically Deer Heights Road to Flint Road – Staff updated the Board on a process to move the private own property to City owned Right of Way to straighten the alignment. The. The City and County stated the entities could work together regarding maintenance and joint ownership.

Lazy H Preserve – Boundaries are being fine-tuned and the Army Corp of Engineers and the Department of Ecology are touring the area Monday, May 16, 2022. To date, it is projected that 73 to 82 credits will be the end result. Based on wetland delineation work, boundary adjustments and additions to the property (14 additional acres) have been made and discussed with the owner.

Cheney PRM Mitigation – This project involving 50 acres is moving forward. This project will provide an interim option for developers who need immediate wetland mitigation credit since the full development of Lazy H could take up to two years.

Sewer Lift Station at Thorpe and Craig –The estimated cost is \$9.2 million, and it is projected to be built in three phases.

Stormwater – Presentations were made to the City and County with the expectation that the plan presented be adopted and included in their respective six-year plans.

Transportation Network – Project is moving forward specifically regarding the Methods and Assumptions Memorandum with an expected date of May 27, 2022, as the day the Executive Committee will sign the document. Because of the additional time required to get complete agreement on the Assumptions Memo, a letter requesting an extension on the grant was issued to the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT).

Other Business

1. Unfinished:
Nothing reported
2. New Business

A brief discussion was held concerning reinstating the Board Meeting Work Sessions that were previously held on the second Thursday of the month beginning at 7:30 AM, the current time of the regular Board Meeting. Reinstating those meetings would reestablish the Regular Board Meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 AM. No decision was made. Also, the regularly scheduled Board Meeting for June was moved from June 9th to June 2nd.

Board Member Items

Board Member Al French mentioned that he is currently working with WSDOT, the City of Four Lakes and Fairchild Air Force Base to widen the roads at the Four Lakes Interchange.

Executive Session:

None

At 9:11 AM the May 12, 2022, Annual Board Meeting was adjourned.