

February 8, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

7:30 – 9:00 AM

7106 W Will D Alton Lane, Suite 103A, Spokane, WA 99224

Minutes – Board Meeting

Attendance:

S3R3 Board Members physically present: Al French, Greg Birchell, Larry Krauter

S3R3 Board Members present online: Scott Simmons

S3R3 Board Members absent: Garrett Jones, Paul Katovich, Betsy Wilkerson

S3R3 Solutions Staff present: Sueann Herkel, Executive Administrative Manager; Taudd Hume, Legal Counsel; Chris Pengra, Executive Director

Guests physically present: Gary Ballew, GSI; Julia McHugh, Citizen of Palisades Neighborhood

Guests present online: Marcia Davis, City of Spokane; Steve MacDonald, City of Spokane

Meeting called to order 7:37 AM

Welcome and Introductions:

Roll call conducted, quorum is present.

Public Comment/Courtesy of the Floor:

Julia McHugh voiced concerns about well contamination in the Palisades Neighborhood. She urged consideration for water supply in any development within S3R3 Solutions' boundaries and continues to ask S3R3 to be good neighbors.

Gary Ballew of Great Spokane Incorporated (GSI) thanked the board for S3R3's involvement in the Tech Hub Application and commented that Executive Director Chris Pengra has been very involved in the process providing active and solid contributions.

Action Item No. 1 Consent Agenda

Board Chair Al French called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Action Item No. 1 which includes minutes for the January 11, 2024 and December 2023 Financials. Board Vice Chair Larry Krauter motioned for approval, Board Secretary Greg Birchell seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Action Item No. 2 Selection of Board Officers

Board Chair Al French asked for Legal Counsel, Taudd Hume to assume the meeting for the election of board officers. Mr. Hume reviewed the current positions and asked for nominees. Board Treasurer Scott Simmons inquired as to whether a motion could be made to continue each officer in their current position since their terms of service could continue for an additional year. With the affirmative from Mr. Hume, Board Treasurer Scott Simmons called for a motion to continue all officers in their current positions. Board Secretary Greg Birchell seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Action Item No. 3 Approval of Resolution 2024-01

Executive Director Chris Pengra reviewed the overarching points of the Resolution to include the \$1.14 million being dedicated to the American Aerospace Materials Manufacturing Center are in-kind and are included in the already approved 2024 budget; specifically, the \$500,000 being dedicated to workforce development and \$640,000 for marketing efforts. Although the Resolution mentions authorizing the Executive Director to draft and sign a letter of commitment, Mr. Pengra decoupled the letter from the Resolution due to anticipated edits that will likely occur throughout the application process. Board Vice Chair Larry Krauter expressed his appreciation for the professionalism of the Resolution and commended Mr. Pengra's effort. Board Chair Al French called for a motion to approve the commitment of funds as presented, Board Vice Chair motion, Board Secretary Greg Birchell seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Updates, Presentations and Briefings

Executive Director Chris Pengra updated the Board regarding Wetland Mitigation explaining that public comment concludes on February 26th and, if needed, public meetings will be held after the comment period ends.

Executive Director Chris Pengra advised the board of future travel to include four events planned and three being considered.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Board Member Items

None