

**MINUTES**  
**Spokane Public Facilities District - Board of Directors Meeting Via Webinar**  
**& at Spokane Veterans Memorial Arena Board Room | Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 12:30pm**

**ITEM #1 TO ORDER**

Board Chair Read convened 873<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Spokane Public Facilities District at 12:30 PM.

**ITEM #2 ATTENDANCE**

In attendance was Chair Paul Read, along with Vice Chair Bruya and Board Members Ed Bruya, Cami Eakins, and Jon Neill. Board Member Harry Sladich attended virtually. District personnel attending in-person included, CEO Stephanie Curran, Jessica Deri, Mike Gaffaney, Paul Christiansen, Melissa Coulter, Nic Lawrence, and Ryan Gallagher. District personnel attending virtually included, Kaila Jones, Andrew Dolan, Katy Gray, and Jose Angel. Guests attending in person included Chris Varallo with Kutak Rock, Scott Taylor and Aiden Hubbard with The Car Park, and Dave Pier with Brett Sports & Entertainment. Guests attending virtually included Maureen Dodroe with Visit Spokane.

Chair Read opened the PFD Board of Director's meeting with a thank you to the PFD team, Board, and partners acknowledging the challenges in the many positions and processes.

Chair Read added that the Journal of Business held their "Business ICONS" event last week at the Convention Center and that the event went very well.

**ITEM #3 CONSENT AGENDA**

Chair Read presented the Consent Agenda items.

- **PFD Board Minutes for February 26, March 26, and April 23**
- **Legal Invoices for Kutak Rock for April**

*Mr. Bruya moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, Ms. Eakins seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.*

**ITEM #4 DISTRICT BUSINESS**

Audit 2023 – 2024:

Ms. Eakins of the Finance Committee reported on the findings from Clark Nuber for the PFD 2023 – 2024 audit. All was found to be in order and sound. Thank you to Mr. Marsh and Ms. Jones as well as the entire accounting department for their diligent efforts to collect all data Clark Nuber requested. The Washington State Auditor had listened to the findings meeting and will receive the reports.

LTAC/Spokane Sports:

Ms. Curran reported that the LTAC voting members met with Spokane Sports CEO and Spokane Sports Board Chair as requested by the voting members at the last LTAC Meeting.

Mr. Sladich added, three of the five voting members were present and provided a quorum. Spokane Sports reviewed the organization processes and presented an opportunity that recently emerged. The voting committee unanimously voted yes to the Spokane Sports ask.

CP Wilkerson added that she would much rather put the money to work than have it sit in the fund.

**ITEM #5 MISCELLANEOUS**

**CEO Report:**

Rodeo: There was a rodeo scheduled for this weekend. The ticket sales were low and the client had not paid the deposit or signed the agreement. The Rodeo canceled the event and we will reach out to see if re-scheduling may be a possibility.

Lilac Festival: The parade is this weekend and they will use one Arena Lot for staging.

Outlaw Festival: Coming up in a week- May 22. Ticket sales are low across the country.

Structured: PFD working with this firm on data analytics. Chair Read asked if the data would be able to show where tickets are selling? Ms. Curran answered, yes, we can create reports that differentiate between states, and other areas.

Mayor's Ordinances: DSP is reviewing camping, sit and lie, overnights, and pedestrian interference.

Fountain: The fountain, which is a commissioned piece of art, is located on Spokane Falls Blvd. and Washington at the entrance to the loading area of the FICA. It has been turned off as children were going into it to play, and the homeless were bathing in it.

Chiefs: Congratulations, the Spokane Chiefs are in the Championships and playing Game 4 tonight. Chair Read will drop the puck tonight.

#### **ITEM #6 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chair Read calls for any public comments.

Mr. Pier: The Spokane Chiefs and Medicine Hat are in the championships and each team has dominated a game. Tonight, May 14 is Game 4 and there are 7,500 tickets sold. We expect higher on Friday, May 16.. Friday will be the last home game in the series.

The Board offered congratulations and appreciation for the Spokane Chiefs.

#### **ITEM #7 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Board Chair Read adjourned the Board to an Executive Session at 12:58PM per RCW 42.30.110 (i) regarding Litigation for approximately (45) minutes with no action expected. The board returned to the board room at 1:40PM with no action taken.

#### **ITEM #8 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 1:42PM.

Michelle McIntyre, Clerk of the Board

Approved by the Board of Directors at following meeting.

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The SPFD Board's minutes are intended to be a reasonable summary of the Board's deliberations and actions. The minutes are not a verbatim record of everything said at the meeting. The minutes include all actions taken by the Board.