

Quad City Civic Center Authority Minutes
Thursday, September 20, 2018

Board Members Present: Chairperson Jennifer Walker, Randy Tweet, Paul Mulcahey, Mike Haney, Larry Meeske, Fran Prochaska, Stacey Happ, Laurie Zelnio (via phone/with appropriate finding from Legal Counsel)

Absent: Reggie Freeman, Doug Maxeiner

Other Persons Present: Scott Mullen, Rocky Jones, Kevin Snodgrass, Chon Wherry, Lindsey Hintze, Roger Strandlund

Introduction and Public Comment: Chairperson Walker called the meeting to Order at 12:30 p.m.; followed by the notation of a presence of a quorum. Chairman Walker introduced Gwen Tombergs, President, Red Sky Sports Venture d/b/a The Storm (SPHL hockey team). Ms. Tombergs furnished an enthusiastic presentation on the fan-centered marketing approach of the new team owners, John Dawson and Ryan Mosley.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, second by Mr. Haney, to approve the Minutes for the Board Meeting occurring on August 16, 2018. With Chairperson Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Financials: Mr. Jones presented the financial statements with commentary. Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, second by Ms. Zelnio, to approve the financial statements for the period ending August 31, 2018. With Chairman Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Director's Report: Mr. Mullen informed the Board that the Arena's 25th Anniversary Year Celebration will be a social event – with the details being refined as a work-in-process. Mr. Mullen reported on the status of sponsorships; with a focus on the expected impact caused by internal re-prioritization among the respective competing beer distributorships. Mr. Mullen provided his report on upcoming events. Chairperson Walker commended Mr. Mullen for bringing high profile entertainment into this community (e.g., Paul McCartney).

Staff Reports on Sponsorship Implementation Items and Solicitations Which Are the Subject of Bids, Competitive Proposals, or Unique Vendors, Licensees, et al:

Ratification of Levy Extension: Mr. Mullen explained the terms of the extension of the Levy contract (through 2022) and answered questions presented by the Board. Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, second by Mr. Haney, to ratify the extension of the Levy contract. With Chairperson Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Copiers: Mr. Jones and Mr. Wherry presented the bids to replace up to two multi-function printer/copier devices which would serve the administrative offices and business center. Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, second by Mr. Tweet, to accept Access Systems, Option 2. With Chairman Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Wireless Project – Phase 2: Mr. Jones and Mr. Wherry reported that Phase 1 of installing the wireless backbone into the building has been completed. Messrs. Jones and Wherry presented to the Board an aggregate bid analysis and recommendation for the wireless project, Phase 2. Mr. Wherry explained various fan experience enhancements resulting from the wireless service providing additional capacity within the venue's concourse as well as wireless internet service for guests seated on the event floor, lower and upper bowls. Mr. Mullen noted some of the impacts of the Phase 2 Project -- alerting Board members of Mr. Mullen's need and intention to coordinate with certain third-parties (e.g., Boingo). Mr. Mulcahey's response and the reaction of other Board members had the effect of causing the Phase 2 Project to be shelved without further Board consideration at the present meeting.

Chillers: Mr. Snodgrass reported on his pursuit of proposals from engineering firms to do an engineering study of the chillers serving the HVAC system within the Arena. After Board discussion, Mr. Snodgrass was directed to contact IMEG (pursuant to statutory competitive bidding exception) to move forward with the engineering study and report back to the Board for ratification of contract terms.

Portable Units (popcorn warmers, ice chests, etc. – non-budgeted/bid exempt speciality items): Mr. Mullen described the portable units to be placed around the concourse and informed the Board the cost would be approximately \$59,000.00. Motion by Mr. Haney, second by Mr. Tweet, to purchase all the items on the list separately out of the annual operating budget. With Chairman Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Committee Reports/Approval of Recommendation to Combine Certain Committees: Mr. Strandlund explained to the Board that Chairperson Walker had proposed a Committee System restructuring, i.e., the Board operating with four committees instead of five; while also noting that at the August meeting the Board had refrained from considering the proposed restructuring. Chairperson Walker (having been absent from the August meeting) re-stated the basis for the restructuring (improved efficiency and broader participation). Motion by Mr. Tweet, second by Mr. Meeske, to approve the Resolution and By-Law Amendment combining the following Committees: #1 Capital Improvement Committee and #2 Special Projects Committee into one Committee under the name of "Capital and Planning Committee" (with the balance of the Committee System consisting of Executive Committee, Budget/Finance/Legal/Ethics/Audit Committee, and Personnel Committee). With Chairperson Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Executive/Closed Session: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:43 p.m.


Roger L. Strandlund, Acting Secretary