

Quad City Civic Center Authority Minutes
Thursday, October 20, 2016

Present: Chairman Mike Haney, Reggie Freeman, Paul Mulcahey, Lew Steinbrecher, Jennifer Walker, Don Welvaert

Absent: John Hass, Hunt Harris (excused due to resignation/pending appointment by Mayor), Ted Thoms (excused due to resignation/pending appointment by Mayor)

Staff: Scott Mullen, Rocky Jones, Kevin Snodgrass, Joy Toporowski and Roger Strandlund (Califf & Harper, P.C.)

Other: Mayor Scott Raes

Public Comment: Mayor Raes informed the Board that the City of Moline had appointed Laurie Zelnio as the Board representative for the City.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, seconded by Mr. Freeman, to approve the minutes of September 15, 2016. With Chairman Haney calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Financials:

Rocky Jones presented the financial statements with commentary. Mr. Jones informed the Board that the Arena is in receipt of the DCEO grant monies and there are three grant-related projects yet to be completed. Those projects consist of: emergency wiring for the generator to the ice chiller; lobby flooring; and security cameras. Motion by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Welvaert, to approve the financial statements for the period ending September 30, 2016. With Chairman Haney calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Director's Update - Event Schedule/Facility Report/Sponsorships/Other:

Scott Mullen reported on the completion of the videowall project and the success of the ribbon cutting ceremonies. Mr. Mullen described the ribbon cutting as a positive event of collaboration and co-promotion between the Arena and the Mallards. Mr. Mullen informed the Board that he has scheduled nine country shows in the next eight months; and for that span of time the bookings represent a potential record number of country shows for the Arena.

Mr. Mullen, as a part of his report, made reference to his recent appointment as Chairman of the Arena's Committee for the International Association for Venue Managers (IAVM). Chairman Haney obtained, by consensus, a formal recognition and congratulations to Mr. Mullen for his professional development and the attainment of a significant honor within the entertainment facility industry.

Staff Report on Facility Improvements:

Kevin Snodgrass provided the status of various fixtures/equipment projects (i.e., videowall, cooler, security camera, and back-up ice generator). Mr. Jones furnished the Board an update on CIPRA-funded projects. He specifically identified the recent City Council approval of \$40,000 in separate funding for the cooler.

Executive/Closed Session:

At 12:43 p.m., Chairman Haney invited Board members to adjourn into Closed Session for the following purpose: personnel (relating to compensation or performance of one or more specific employees). Roger Strandlund, Legal Counsel, provided the legal finding/factual basis supporting the application of an exception to the Open Meetings Act, i.e., 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Motion by Mr. Welvaert, seconded by Ms. Walker, to incorporate the legal finding as a part of conducting the meeting in Closed Session. With Chairman Haney calling for a roll call vote on the motion, the vote was taken with all Board members voting *aye*.

No formal action was taken in Closed Session.

At 12:52 p.m., motion by Mr. Mulcahey, seconded by Ms. Walker, to adjourn back into regular session. A roll call vote was taken showing all Board members voting *aye*, and Chairman Haney declared the motion carried.

Return to Open Session and Matter Arising from Closed Session – Personnel/Payroll Memorandum:

Following Mr. Strandlund's confirmation of the staff's statutory compliance, motion made by Mr. Welvaert, seconded by Mr. Mulcahey, to make the compensation adjustments set forth within the Closed Session Payroll Memorandum. With Chairman Haney calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and it carried unanimously.

Other Business:

Mr. Mulcahey inquired as to how the City of Rock Island will be fully represented on the Board in light of the resignation of Thomas Thomas from his position of Rock Island City Manager. Mr. Strandlund responded, stating that the Interim City Manager (Randy Tweet) will be discharging the duties of the appointee statutorily reserved for the person occupying the position of Rock Island City Manager. It was added that Mr. Tweet will likely continue the Board-related duties until such time as a new City Manager is hired by the City of Rock Island.

Adjourn: Mr. Steinbrecher motioned for adjournment. Mr. Mulcahey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

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Joy Toporowski, Secretary