

Quad City Civic Center Authority Minutes
Thursday, January 19, 2017

Present: Chairman Mike Haney, Reggie Freeman, Jennifer Walker, John Hass, Randy Tweet, Scott Raes, Paul Mulcahey (via phone/with appropriate finding from legal counsel), Laurie Zelnio (via phone/with appropriate finding from legal counsel)

Absent: Don Welvaert, Stacey Happ

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

Public Comment: Chairman Haney welcomed Board members, acknowledging Arena staff's success in marshalling a quorum and arranging for telephonic attendance of certain Board members. Chairman Haney made the observation that no members of the general public were in attendance and no written comments were received subsequent to the last meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Hass, seconded by Mr. Freeman, to approve the minutes of December 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. Motion by Mr. Hass, seconded by Mr. Tweet, to approve the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2016. With Chairman Haney calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Director's Update:

Scott Mullen identified some upcoming events and reported on recent events. A Closed Session Memorandum was distributed for future reference. Mr. Mullen notified members of certain financial challenges within the entertainment industry, brought about by the increasingly aggressive incentives mandated by promoters. Mr. Mullen also described the benefits of industry relationships (e.g., Venue Coalition) and his involvement in IAVM. Mr. Mullen presented, as a by-product of Mr. Mullen's professional relationships and industry connections, a preview of certain legal constraints and economic impacts for the upcoming year. An example cited by Mr. Mullen was the calendar change relating to the Barnum & Bailey Circus; however, Mr. Mullen provided assurance of the Arena's strong effort to add to the calendar another family-oriented show.

Mr. Mullen expressed his appreciation for the courtesies of Board members in notifying Joy Williams of RSVP's for meetings; and he encouraged members to work toward providing Ms. Williams notice before 10:00 a.m. on the Monday preceding the meeting.

Committee Reports/Appointments: None presented.

Staff Report on Facility Improvements/Proposals/Bids: Rocky Jones made a presentation centering on the responses to the Request for Proposals for Insurance Consulting Services (Broker-of-Record). The presentation included the identification of recipients of the RFP, as well as a summary of the responses (2). Mr. Jones described the process of interviews. General Board discussion occurred relating to the findings and impressions generated from the RFP process. Mr. Jones presented the recommendation of Arena staff for an award of the service to Arthur J. Gallagher (refer to Resolution). It was noted that Arthur J. Gallagher had been the incumbent provider of the service and that the cost/fee in the RFP response is being held constant, all contributing to the finding of the firm being the most favorably ranked proposer (as to cost and service). Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, seconded by Ms. Walker, to accept the staff recommendation (refer to Resolution). With Chairman Haney calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (via roll call) and the motion carried unanimously.

Executive/Closed Session: Chairman Haney noted that there would be no need to go into Executive/Closed Session; however, he invited Mr. Strandlund to address the statutory requirement of review of Minutes. Following Board comment, Mr. Strandlund presented a proposed written Resolution on Closed Session Minutes, with Mr. Freeman making a motion to approve the Resolution and a second being made by Mr. Hass. With no response being made to Chairman Haney's invitation for discussion on the Motion, Chairman Haney called for a vote on the motion; a vote was taken (via roll call) and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn: With the announcement by Mr. Haney that there was no further business to conduct, Ms. Walker motioned for adjournment. Mr. Freeman seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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Joy Williams, Secretary