

Quad City Civic Center Authority Minutes  
Thursday, January 18, 2024

**Board Members Present:** Acting Chairperson Paul Mulcahey, Mike Haney, Fran Prochaska, Reggie Freeman, Anamaria Vera Rocha, Bob Vitas, Todd Thompson  
**Board Members Absent:** Stacey Happ, Larry Meeske, Jeff Nelson  
**Staff Present:** Scott Mullen, Rocky Jones, Kim McVey, Kevin Snodgrass  
**Other Persons Present:** Roger Strandlund (Califf Harper, P.C.)

**Roll Call, Introduction and Public Comment:** Acting Chairperson Mulcahey called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. A roll call vote was conducted. Acting Chairperson Mulcahey noted no written comments being received from the general public subsequent to the last meeting.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Freeman, second by Mr. Prochaska, to approve the Minutes for the Board Meeting occurring on December 21, 2023. With Acting Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call), and it carried unanimously.

**Financials:** Mr. Jones presented the financial statements with commentary (handout). Motion by Mr. Freeman, second by Ms. Rocha, to approve the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2023. With Acting Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call), and it carried unanimously.

**Executive Director's Report:** The focus of Mr. Mullen's report was the presentation of certain Resolutions, as well as his typical coverage of updates, all as described below.

1. Mr. Mullen and Mr. Strandlund presented a Resolution relating to a First Right of Refusal relating to the hotel property (Amin Group). Motion by Mr. Vitas, second by Mr. Haney, to approve the Resolution. Following general Board discussion of the Motion, Acting Chairperson Mulcahey called for a vote on the motion. The vote was taken (roll call) with all members voting "Aye", with the exception of one abstention from Bob Vitas.
2. Mr. Mullen presented a Resolution providing the football team ownership group (Pro Ventures Group, LLC) a three-year extension on the existing License Agreement. Motion by Mr. Vitas, second by Mr. Prochaska, to approve the Resolution as presented. With Acting Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call) with all members voting "Aye".
3. Mr. Mullen provided an update on the effort of funding and designing the Outdoor Event Space. Mr. Mullen expressed appreciation for the work performed by Mr. Jones, specifically relating to the state grant application process and compliance activities. Mr. Mullen presented, as a specific action item, a proposal for the Board to approve entering into a professional services agreement with Streamline Architects (East Moline). Mr. Mullen described the scope of work as relating to design, with some specialized engineering services added through a pre-approval process (signed work orders); the scope of services being more specifically described within Mr. Mullen's handout. Motion by Mr. Vitas, second by Mr. Prochaska, to approve the professional services contract (handout) with Streamline Architects in an amount not to exceed \$132,400.00. With Acting Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call) with all members voting "Aye".
4. Mr. Mullen shared with the Board certain take-aways from his recent trade association involvement. He also conveyed his positive impression of the City of Moline's recent stakeholder sessions on the topic of the redevelopment of the riverfront near the former location of the I-74 bridge. Acting Chairperson Mulcahey pointed out the particular topic as an example of the importance of the Arena's relationship to the City of Moline. He cited recent events to emphasize how the inter-relationship between the City and the Arena can at times become strained. Acting Chairperson Mulcahey requested that the Minutes cite the specific direction to Arena staff to endeavor to achieve and maintain a relationship with the City, where the doors of communication are open, thereby avoiding surprise to parties and policy-makers on both sides of the various transactions.

**Executive/Closed Session:** At 12:57 p.m. Acting Chairperson Mulcahey invited Board members to adjourn into Closed Session for the purposes identified on the Agenda; for discussion on performance/compensation relating to personnel and release/destruction of Closed Session Minutes. Legal authority supporting the Closed Session discussed was cited as 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and (21). Motion by Mr. Haney, second by Mr. Prochaska, to proceed to conduct the meeting in Closed Session. With Acting Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a roll call vote on the motion the roll call vote was taken with all Board members voting "Aye".

[The meeting transitioned to Closed session.]

No formal action was taken in Closed Session. As an aside, Acting Chairperson Mulcahey spoke to the value of “institutional knowledge”. He expressed the Board’s expectation that Mr. Strandlund would continue to serve the Arena Board as its legal counsel.

At 1:08 p.m., motion by Mr. Freeman, second by Mr. Haney, to adjourn back into Regular Session. A roll call vote was taken, showing all Board members voting “Aye”, and Acting chairperson Mulcahey declared the motion carried. [Separate minutes (and tape thereof) relating to Closed Session has been retained in custody of Legal Counsel.]

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was duly adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

/s/ original duly executed  
Roger L. Strandlund, Acting Secretary