

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE UPPER MOHAWK VALLEY MEMORIAL  
AUDITORIUM AUTHORITY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2017 AT 4:00 PM.**

**Members Present:** Carl Annese, Jim Brock, Harold Stalker, Paul Romano, Vin Karl and Joanne Gerace

**Also Present:** Rob Esche, Anthony Obernesser, Luann Horton-Murad, Michael Potrzeba, Cecelie Pikus, Kevin Martin, Peter Rayhill and Mark Mojave

**Excused:**

**Authority Business:**

Meeting comes to order at 4:01 pm.

The Authority welcomes Mark Mojave to the AUD Authority board, pending the official letter.

Jim makes the motion to approve the minutes from 8/9. Joanne seconds, all in favor. Harold makes a motion to approve the minutes from 8/31. Paul seconds, all in favor.

Mike passes around the outstanding financial vouchers.

Anthony provides the Authority with a construction update.

Kevin Martin discusses the RFP for naming rights, and that he received one inquiry from Adirondack Bank.

Carl discusses the recent ads regarding no hospital downtown, and how it does not show The AUD in the best light, with the red sirens.

Kevin Martin discusses the construction; in relation to the relationship between Utica College and the AUD Authority, and that he is working on a draft of a revised agreement. He also discusses the amendments to the professional service agreement between the Authority and Mohawk Valley Garden.

Jim makes a motion to enter into a modification to the lease agreement with MVG to extend the time for them to find a replacement AHL franchise from 1 year to 18 months. Joanne seconds, all in favor.

The Authority discusses filling the treasurer role on the Authority since Pat Donovan resigned August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Peter Rayhill discusses two lease agreement options between The AUD and the County to ensure that the County is paid back for the 5.5 million for the West End Expansion Project. The Authority and MVG discuss the potential issues with the lease agreement and when the money will be secured from the State. Jim makes a motion to table the notion until this Friday. Paul seconds, all in favor.

Jim makes a motion to go into executive session at 5:40 pm. Paul seconds, all in favor.

Jim makes a motion to come out of executive session at 5:56 pm. Paul seconds, all in favor.

Meeting comes to a close at 5:56 pm.