

Norwich Ice Arena Authority  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 17, 2024 at 7pm  
Held virtually via Zoom

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bettencourt at 7:00pm. He noted that the meeting was being recorded and all votes would be by roll call.
2. Determination of Quorum – The chairman noted Commissioners Gary Makowicki and Mark Sicuso were present. Joann Beguhl was unable to attend. Also in attendance were Shannon Fitzgerald and Lisa Fedic from NRGIA.
3. Public Comment – None.
4. Acceptance of Minutes from Previous meeting October 25th, 2023. Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Gary Makowicki, Seconded by Mark Sicuso and passed by roll call vote.
5. Chairman's report – Chairman Bettencourt noted that there had been recent correspondence between Lisa and Orla regarding getting some billing issues straightened out. They are current with payments through 12/2023. He noted that negotiations regarding a new agreement would mainly be handled by the comptroller's office. He would be forwarding that correspondence to the members after the meeting. There's a concern that the city will have to pump additional money into the rink due to the tower project and that might make the numbers we've been working with unmanageable.
6. Old Business- As previously noted the renegotiation of the lease will be handled by the comptroller's office.
7. New Business- Shannon made a report to the authority regarding activities at the rink and that is attached.  
The chairman briefly reviewed recent correspondence indicating that invoicing was current through 12/31/2023. The issues regarding financial statements will be reviewed by Orla and dealt with by that office.
8. Anything else to be brought before the Authority- It was noted that maintenance items have been dealt with and there are no current items that need to be taken care of right now. Chairman Bettencourt asked Lisa if she had ever gotten a number regarding the tower project from a vendor. He noted the high estimates that we have gotten have been a stumbling block to getting a lease redone. She hasn't but will give them a call tomorrow.
9. Adjournment. – There was no other business and a motion to adjourn was made by the chairman, seconded by Mark Sicuso and was passed unanimously by roll call vote at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Bettencourt, Chairman