

Regular Meeting, Open Session Minutes – Video
Illinois Gaming Board
Chicago, Illinois
August 2, 2018

The Illinois Gaming Board (“Board”) convened for a Regular Meeting – Video – on August 1, 2018, in the Conference Room of the Gaming Board office on the 3rd floor of the Michael Bilandic Building Center, Chicago, Illinois pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.

The following Board members were physically present: Chairman Don Tracy, Members Hector Alejandre, Dee Robinson, and Steve Dolins. Four members of the Board being present, a quorum was satisfied.

The following Staff members were also in attendance: Acting Administrator Agostino Lorenzini, Legal Counsel Jared Smith, Acting Legal Counsel Richard Harlovic, Deputy Administrator-Investigations Scott Deubel, Deputy Administrator-Audit and Financial Analysis Jim Lopinski, Financial Audit Unit Manager Tammy Compton, License Coordinator Robert Burke, Office Manager and Acting Secretary to the Board Alicia Passfield, Deputy Administrator-Enforcement Frank Spizzirri, Senior Project Manager Mark Stevens, Investigations Squad Supervisor Gabriel Aragonés and Legislative Liaison Caleb Melamed.

Chairman Tracy called the meeting to order at 1:25 PM. The Acting Administrator verified that no one from the public was present to attend the meeting at that time.

At 1:26 p.m., Member Dolins moved that the Board go into closed session pursuant to Section 2(c), paragraphs (1), (11), (14), and (21) of the Open Meetings Act and Section 6(d) of the Riverboat Gambling Act to discuss items on the closed session agenda relating to specific personnel, the closed session minutes, investigations, and pending litigation. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

At 2:42 PM, Member Dolins moved to adjourn the video closed session meeting and return to open session. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

At 2:42 PM, Member Alejandre moved to adjourn the open meeting to August 2, 2018 at 9:15 AM. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The Board reconvened in Open Session on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 10:23 AM on the 5th floor of the Michael Bilandic Building at 160 N. LaSalle, Chicago, Illinois. Present were the following: Chairman Donald Tracy, Members Dee Robinson, Steve Dolins and Hector Alejandre.

APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Member Alejandro moved that the Board approve the open session minutes from its Regular Meeting of June 13, 2018. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Acting Administrator reported that there are currently 6,588 licensed location establishments operating 29,664 VGTs.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Scott Wirtjes – Location Applicant 121 Club Inc., 170703537

MANUFACTURER, DISTRIBUTOR & SUPPLIER LICENSEE ITEMS

License Renewals

- American Vending Sales, Inc. – Renewal of Distributor License

Member Robinson moved that the Board renew the distributor license of American Vending Sales, Inc. for a period of one year, expiring in August 2019. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- Aristocrat Technologies, Inc. – Renewal of Manufacturer and Distributor Licenses

Member Dolins moved that the Board renew the manufacturer and distributor licenses of Aristocrat Technologies, Inc. for a period of one year, expiring in August 2019. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- CountR GmbH – Renewal of Supplier License

Member Alejandro moved that the Board renew the supplier license of CountR GmbH for a period of one year, retroactive to July 2018, expiring in July 2019. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- H. Betti Industries, Inc. – Renewal of Distributor License

Member Robinson moved that the Board renew the distributor license of H. Betti Industries, Inc. for a period of one year, expiring in August 2019. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- IGT – Renewal of Manufacturer and Distributor Licenses

Member Alejandro moved that the Board renew the manufacturer and distributor licenses of IGT for a period of one year, expiring in August 2019. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- JCM American Corporation – Renewal of Supplier License

Member Dolins moved that the Board renew the supplier license of JCM American Corporation for a period of one year, expiring in August 2019. Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- Konami Gaming, Inc. – Renewal of Manufacturer and Distributor License

Member Dolins moved that the Board renew the manufacturer and distributor licenses of Konami Gaming, Inc. for a period of one year, expiring in August 2019. Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- M3 Technology Solutions, LLC – Renewal of Supplier License

Member Robinson moved that the Board renew the supplier license of M3 Technology Solutions, LLC for a period of one year, retroactive to July 2018, expiring in July 2019. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

TERMINAL OPERATOR LICENSEE ITEMS

Initial License

- A1_Kreshav Krupa LLC

Member Alejandro moved that the Board issue a Terminal Operator license to A1_Kreshav Krupa LLC for a term of one year, expiring in August, 2019, as the applicant has demonstrated its qualifications and suitability for licensure. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

License Renewals

Member Robinson moved that the Board renew the following Terminal Operator Licenses for a term of one year, expiring in August 2019:

- Donico Gaming, LLC
- Game on Entertainment, LLC
- Veterans VGT, LLC

Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board renew the following Terminal Operator Licenses for a term of one year retroactive to July 2018, and expiring in July 2019.

- G.F.M. Gaming, LLC
- Illinois Gaming and Coin-Op LLC
- Pocket Aces Gaming Inc.

Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

TECHNICIANS & TERMINAL HANDLERS

Initial Licenses - Approvals and Denials

Member Dolins moved the Board approve eighty five (85) applications for Terminal Handler licenses and three (3) applications for Technician licenses that were submitted to the Board since our last meeting, and authorize the Administrator to issue Notices of Denial to:

- DeMarius Devon Hill
- Paris Kiere Clark
- Terje Devon Fletcher

Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

License Renewals and Non-Renewals

Member Alejandro moved that the Board renew the licenses of Technicians and Terminal Handlers who were licensed or renewed in August 2017, as well as retroactively renew those that were licensed or renewed in July 2017, and who have properly updated their applications, timely paid their annual fees, and are in compliance with the requirements of the Video Gaming Act and the Board's Rules. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VIDEO GAMING ESTABLISHMENT APPLICATIONS

Initial Licenses - Approvals & Denials

Member Robinson moved that the Board approve 81 Video Gaming Establishment Licenses, for a period of one year, expiring in August 2019, and authorize the Administrator to issue Notices of Denial to:

- PAC Industries, Inc. d/b/a Carl's Bar & Grill
- Ruby's Café LLC
- Luna Properties II
- Ally-bi Saloon, Inc. d/b/a Alley-Bi Saloon
- Able Investments Inc. d/b/a Firestone Lounge
- Cheesie's Gurnee LLC, d/b/a Cheesie's Pub & Grub

Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

License Renewals and Non-Renewals

Member Dolins moved that the Board renew the licenses of Retail Establishments, Truck Stop Establishments, Veteran Establishments and Fraternal Establishments that were licensed or renewed in August 2017, as well as retroactively renew those that were licensed or renewed in July 2017, and that have properly updated their applications, timely paid their annual fee, and are otherwise in compliance with the requirements of the Act and the Board's Rules; and that the Board authorize the Administrator to issue Notices of Non-Renewal to the following:

- Terri Shepard d/b/a KJ's Bar & Grill
- Butler's Supper Club Inc.
- THE LOADED BUFFALO BAR AND GRILL INC. d/b/a THE ORIGINAL SUNDANCE SALOON
- THE COVE OF APPLE CANYON, INC. d/b/a THE COVE OF APPLE CANYON LAKE
- Symplegades, Inc. d/b/a Top Fuel Saloon
- Patricia Marie Martin d/b/a Memories Lake Villa
- BRICKS & IVY, LLC d/b/a Parkside Pub
- Smikit Corporation d/b/a Kelly's Irish Saloon
- SMILIN GOAT, INC.
- Russel Darin Spears d/b/a Freight House
- THOMAS'S BARBEQUE, INC. d/b/a THOMAS BBQ
- Mary's on Maple, LLC d/b/a Mary's on Maple
- SA & TA Incorporated d/b/a Rose Garden Restaurant
- STUCKY'S BAR & GRILLE, INC. d/b/a STUCKY'S BAR & GRILLE
- The Bullpen Inc. d/b/a The Bullpen Bar & Grill
- TUMBLES, INC. d/b/a Wunder Y Tap
- TNT Gas-Mart, Inc. d/b/a TNT Gas-Mart
- Lansing Investment Corporation d/b/a Kilroy's
- Vail #1 Inc. d/b/a The Oasis

Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

REQUESTS FOR HEARING

Requests for Hearing

Member Alejandro moved that the Board grant the request for hearing submitted by Bears Showtown USA, INC. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member Dolins moved that the Board grant the request for hearing submitted by How-Dog, Inc. d/b/a Cactus Country. Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board deny the hearing requests submitted by TEJ's Sports Connection Inc. and Mexican Honorary Commission for failing to present a prima facie case for hearing. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member Alejandro moved that the Board rescind the denial of renewal previously entered in June 2018, and grant renewal to C & F Investment Inc. d/b/a Diamond Jim's, retroactive to June 2018. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member Robinson moved that the Board grant the hearing request submitted by James Thomas Stewart. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Requests to Reapply

Member Alejandro moved that the Board grant the request by Wileniel Medina Pagan d/b/a Noche Azul Sports Bar to reapply for an establishment license. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Terminal Handlers

Member Dolins moved to issue a disciplinary complaint revoking the license of Brandon Moore for failure to update disclose his arrest, said actions to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaints, unless Answers are properly filed within that timeframe. Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member Alejandro moved to issue a disciplinary complaint revoking the license of Christopher Lawrence Carrell for conduct that discredits the Illinois gaming industry and poses a threat to the good order and general welfare of the people of the State of Illinois, said actions to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaints, unless Answers are properly filed within that timeframe. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member Robinson moved to issue a disciplinary complaint fining Bruce Matlock a sum of \$250 for conduct which reflects adversely on the security and integrity of the Illinois video gaming industry. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Illegal Gambling Activities

Member Alejandro moved to issue Disciplinary Complaints fining the establishment licenses of:

- American Legion Memorial Association of Thornton, Illinois \$4,000
- Fuehne's Tavern, INC \$1,000
- and The Good Spot, Inc \$750

for conducting or allowing illegal gambling, said actions to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaints, unless Answers are properly filed within that timeframe. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Failure to monitor VGTs

Member Robinson moved that the Board issue a Disciplinary Complaint fining the establishment R K Hospitality LLC d/b/a COMFORT INN & SUITES \$2,000 for failure to monitor VGTs, to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Dolins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Failure to Comply with Duties and Obligations

Member Alejandro moved that the Board issue a Disciplinary Complaint fining Lucky Lincoln Gaming LLC \$500 for failure to comply with Rule 250, said action to take effect 21 days from the date of service of the Complaint, unless an Answer is properly filed within that timeframe. Member Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

LITIGATION

Member Dolins moved that the Board accept the recommendations of the ALJ and issue a final order denying an establishment license to JV Springfield, Inc. d/b/a Lazy Lou Tavern. Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Settlement

Member Dolins moved that the Board delegate to the Administrator authority to enter into a settlement agreement with the licensee Kents Sunset Inn Inc. d/b/a The Sunset Inn and to take the necessary actions to resolve the disciplinary complaint. Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURN

Member Dolins moved to adjourn. Member Alejandro seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard P. Harlovic
Assistant General Counsel