



ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD

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Regular Meeting, Closed Session Minutes Illinois Gaming Board Chicago, Illinois January 30, 2020

The Illinois Gaming Board (“Board”) convened for a Regular Meeting on Thursday, January 30, 2020 at approximately 9:04 A.M. in the Conference Room of the Gaming Board office on the 5th Floor of the Michael Bilandic Building, Chicago, IL pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 *et seq.*

A roll call was taken. The following Board members were physically present: Chairman Charles Schmadeke, Member Steve Dolins, Member Ruben Ramirez and Member Dionne Hayden. Four members of the Board being physically present, a quorum was satisfied.

At approximately 9:05 A.M., Member Dolins moved that the Board go into closed session pursuant to Section 2(c), paragraphs (11), (21) and (36) of the Open Meetings Act and Section 6(d) of the Illinois Gambling Act to discuss items on the closed session agenda relating to the closed session minutes and pending litigation. Member Hayden seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. Thereafter, the Board moved from the Conference Room on the 5th Floor of the Michael Bilandic Building to the Conference Room on the 3rd Floor of the building.

The Board convened in the 3rd Floor Conference Room at approximately 9:09 A.M. Another roll call was taken. The following Board members were physically present: Chairman Charles Schmadeke, Member Steve Dolins, Member Ruben Ramirez and Member Dionne Hayden. Four members of the Board being physically present, a quorum was satisfied.

The following Staff members were also in attendance: Administrator Marcus Fruchter, General Counsel Agostino Lorenzini, Assistant General Counsels Daniel Gerber, Richard Harlovic and James Jozefowicz, Deputy Administrator of Investigations Scott Deubel, Senior Special Agent of Investigations Jeff Gaida, Deputy Administrator of Licensing Robert Burke, Board Secretary Alicia Passfield, Financial Analysis Manager Tammy Compton, Operations Officer Sean Brannon and Director of Policy and Special Projects Joe Miller.

The Board first reviewed the closed session minutes from the December 19, 2019 meeting. Member Dolins then moved to approve the closed session minutes from the December 19, 2019 closed session. Member Hayden seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Staff announced its intent to discuss litigation matters and settlement proposals in connection with pending administrative proceedings. Thereafter, the Board reviewed and discussed litigation and settlement offers in connection with cases involving the following applicants, licensees and other

interested persons:

Jeffrey Haynes – Administrative Law Judge recommendation in DC-17-29 – revocation of occupational license.

At approximately 9:23 AM, upon conclusion of the discussion in the above referenced matter, Assistant General Counsel Jared Smith entered the 3rd Floor Conference Room. At that time, Assistant General Counsels Dan Gerber and James Jozefowicz exited the room. The Board then proceeded to review and discuss the following matter:

Fill Up Mart, Inc. d/b/a Fill-Up Mart #12 – Administrative Law Judge recommendation in 18 GB 057 - Video Gaming Establishment denial (18 GB 057).

At approximately 9:27 AM, Dan Gerber and James Jozefowicz returned to the Conference Room area. The Board then proceeded to discuss the following matters:

Onesti Entertainment Corporation d/b/a Arcada Theatre – VG Location denial rescission (160703007).

Sunshine USA Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Morris Citgo – VG Location denial rescission (181001054).

GIOVANNI'S CATERING INC. d/b/a GIOVANNI'S CATERING INC. – VG Location denial rescission (190701104).

Wild Money Gaming, LLC – Terminal Operator denial, settlement offer (19 GB 026).

Sisco's Sports Bar, LLC – VG Location denial, settlement offer (19 GB 049).

At approximately 9:44 AM, staff announced its intent to discuss the Lacey's Place, LLC matters involving terminal operator Lucky Lincoln Gaming, LLC. Prior to any substantive discussion, Member Dolins recused himself and exited the Conference Room area.

Lacey's Place, LLC – VG Location denials (multiple), settlement offer (18 GB 058), related issues involving Lucky Lincoln Gaming, LLC (130606452) disciplinary matter.

Upon conclusion of the discussions for Lacey's Place, LLC, Member Dolins returned to the Conference Room area.

Grand River Jackpot, LLC – Settlement offer in connection with disciplinary complaint DC-V-18-133 (19 GB 037).

Anthony Curtale – Terminal Handler license denial, settlement offer 18 GB 026.

Daniel Sikirdji – Occupational license revocation, settlement offer DC-R-19-035.

At approximately, 10:15 AM, Assistant General Counsel Dan Gerber stepped out of the Conference Room. Mr. Gerber returned to the room a few minutes later.

Thomas Kraft – Occupational license revocation, settlement offer DC-R-18-005. (19 GB054)

Brenda Doxsie d/b/a Boneyard – VG Location license non-renewal (18 CH 00173).

At approximately 10:27 AM, Member Dolins moved to reconvene into open session and to move back to the 5th Floor Conference Room of the Michael Bilandic Building. Member Hayden seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Following open session presentations made by two Owners license applicants, the Board reconvened into closed session in the Conference Room on the 3rd Floor of the Michael Bilandic Building. Another roll call was taken. The following Board members were physically present: Chairman Charles Schmadeke, Member Steve Dolins, Member Ruben Ramirez and Member Dionne Hayden. Four members of the Board being physically present, a quorum was satisfied.

The following Staff members were also in attendance: Administrator Marcus Fruchter, General Counsel Agostino Lorenzini, Assistant General Counsels Daniel Gerber, Richard Harlovic, Jared Smith and James Jozefowicz, Deputy Administrator of Investigations Scott Deubel, Deputy Administrator of Licensing Robert Burke, Legislative Liaison Caleb Melamed, Board Secretary Alicia Passfield, Financial Analysis Manager Tammy Compton, Operations Officer Sean Brannon and Director of Policy and Special Projects Joe Miller.

The Board then reviewed and discussed matters related to the requests made by the following applicants during the open session meeting convened earlier in the day:

Haven Gaming, LLC - Rule 220(d)(1) request to amend Owners license application.

South Suburban Development LLC - Rule 220(d)(1) request to amend Owners license application.

Following the Board's review and discussion of the above referenced matters, Member Dolins moved to reconvene into open session and to move back to the 5th Floor Conference Room of the Michael Bilandic Building. Member Ramirez seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard P. Harlovic
Assistant General Counsel