

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of September 19, 2013

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board conducted a meeting on Thursday, August 15, 2013, 10:00 a.m., in House Committee Room 6 of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at the meeting were: Ronnie Jones, Chairman, Ayres Bradford, Robert Jones, Mark Stipe, James Singleton, Denise Noonan, Claude Mercer, Claude Jackson and Robert Gaston. Absent were ex-officio members, Colonel Mike Edmonson and Secretary Tim Barfield.

The meeting was called to order. Chairman Jones announced that the October board meeting would be held on Wednesday, October 16th instead of Thursday, October 17th.

It was moved by Ms. Noonan to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the August meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.

Chairman Jones welcomed Mr. Robert Gaston as the newest member of the Gaming Control Board.

The next item was consideration of a Vice-Chairman for the Gaming Control Board. It was moved by Major Mercer to nominate Ayres Bradford as Vice-Chairman. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit Division, presented revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino, slots at the tracks, and employment numbers for the landbased casino. Mr. Jim Bossier, also with the Gaming Audit Division, reported on the video poker statistics.

The Board acted on a petition by Bally Technologies, Inc. and SHFL Entertainment, Inc. for approval of agreement and plan of merger. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the agreement and merger. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. d/b/a Hollywood Baton Rouge, No. R011700193. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Singleton to accept the report by ABSC and approve the renewal of the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Major Mercer and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the following truckstops:

1. L.M. Daigle Oil Company, Inc. d/b/a Lucky Delta – No. 1006500040
2. L.M. Daigle Oil Company, Inc. d/b/a Starks Truck Stop – No. 1000516060

The above stated truckstops were handled in globo because they dealt with the same individuals. It was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the transfers of interest in both truckstops. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

3. Presto Fuel Center, LLC d/b/a Presto Fuel Center – No. 2900511631 - Motion by Major Mercer to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on a proposed settlement and appeals in the following:

1. **In Re: Hank's Restaurant & Lounge, Inc. d/b/a Hank's Restaurant & Lounge – No. 3601112906** - Motion by Mr. Jones to approve the \$2,250 penalty for failure to timely provide tax clearances and failure to have current permits. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: James R. Taylor – No. P040021163** - Motion by Mr. Bradford to set aside the hearing officer's decision, defer the recommendation of revocation, and suspend Mr. Taylor's non-key gaming permit pending the outcome of criminal proceedings. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. **In Re: Taco Tico of New Orleans, Inc. d/b/a Taco Tico – No. 2600212036** - Motion by Mr. Bradford to remand the matter to the hearing officer for the introduction of new evidence. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no further comments, it was moved by Ms. Noonan to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.