

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of February 20, 2014

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board conducted a meeting on Thursday, February 20, 2014, 10:00 a.m., in House Committee Room 1 of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at the meeting were: Ronnie Jones, Chairman, Ayres Bradford, Mark Stipe, James Singleton, Denise Noonan, Claude Mercer, Claude Jackson and Robert Gaston. Absent were board member Robert Jones, and ex-officio members, Colonel Mike Edmonson and Secretary Tim Barfield.

The meeting was called to order. Chairman Jones announced that due to a scheduling conflict the March meeting would be held on Wednesday, March 19th, and during the duration of the Legislative Session the meetings are scheduled to be held in the Natchez Room of the Galvez Building, 602 North Fifth Street, Baton Rouge. He also stated that he along with Mr. Jones, Mr. Bradford and Mr. Stipe toured Lake Charles and noted L'Auberge Lake Charles and Golden Nugget continue their cooperation efforts during the construction of Golden Nugget.

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

Mr. Jim Bossier, State Police Gaming Audit Division, presented revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino, slots at the track, employment numbers for the landbased casino and video poker statistics.

The Board considered contracts for the Court Reporter and Hearing Officer. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Gaston to approve both contracts. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Mesa Brown, Assistant Attorney General in the Gaming Division, presented the Fourth Quarter Compliance Reports for 2013.

The Chairman requested that Horseshoe Casino and Amelia Belle Casino address the Board at the March meeting to discuss their continued failure to meet their compliance goals.

The Board acted on the Casino Support Services Contract with the City of New Orleans. It was moved by Mr. Singleton to authorize the Chairman to execute the contract on behalf of the Board upon approval of both the contract and the funding by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. That motion was seconded by Major Mercer and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on a petition by PNK (Baton Rouge) for Relief from Certain License Conditions. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Gaston to adopt the resolution

approving the request with the exception of condition 11. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on rule-making procedures in the following:

- A. Consideration of institution of rule-making procedures for amendments to LAC 42:III.120.A.3 (Application and Reporting Forms) – Following discussion, it was moved by Major Mercer to institute the rule-making procedures for the above stated rule. That motion was seconded by Mr. Stipe and unanimously approved by the Board.
- B. Consideration of institution of rule-making procedures for amendments to LAC 42:III.401(C) (Electronic Submission of Documents) – Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Noonan to institute the rule-making procedures for the above stated rule. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.
- C. Consideration of institution of rule-making procedures for amendments to LAC 42:III.2117 and LAC 42:III.2325 (Certification–Riverboat) – Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the rule-making procedures for the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.
- D. Consideration of institution of rule-making procedures for amendments to LAC 42:XI.2413 and LAC 42:XI.2424 (Devices) – Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Noonan to approve the rule-making procedures for the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.
- E. Consideration of institution of rule-making procedures for amendments to LAC 42:XI.2424 (Enforcement Actions of the Board) – Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the rule-making procedures for the above stated rule. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.
- F. Consideration of institution of rule-making procedures for amendments to LAC 42:XI.2415.C and LAC 42:XI.2424.B (Placement of Devices) – Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the rule-making procedures for the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.
- G. Consideration of institution of rule-making procedures for amendments to LAC 42:XI.2405.B.1.b (Filing and Payment of Taxes) - It was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the rule-making procedures for the above stated rule. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the following proposed settlement and appeal.

1. **In Re: J.B. Mouton, LLC - No. P082802935** – Motion by Mr. Gaston to approve the \$250 settlement for failure to timely notify the Division of a business entity conversion and a manager appointment. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: Tina's Café, LLC d/b/a Wiggin's #2 – No. 5105215416** – Motion by Mr. Bradford to affirm the Hearing Officer's revocation of the license for failure to provide a federal tax clearance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.