



STATE OF MICHIGAN

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GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LANSING

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DIRECTOR

SKI AREA SAFETY BOARD
Michigan History Center, 1st floor Forum
702 West Kalamazoo Street
Lansing, MI 48915

APPROVED 06/09/2022

MINUTES
September 30, 2021
1:00 p.m.

MEMBERS ATTENDING REMOTELY

Mr. Timothy Meyer, Chairperson
Mr. Charles Gano, Vice Chairperson
Mr. Sam Bracket
Mr. Dana Carnevale
Mr. Thomas Wheat

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Jeffrey Cranson
Mr. Keith Lambert – Nonvoting Ex Officio Member
Mr. Matthew Torreano
Vacant Michigan Tourist Council Officer

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ATTENDING

Ms. Alesha Gensler, Deputy Director, Administration, BCC
Ms. Becky Jones, Manager, Elevator & Ski/Amusement Division, BCC
Ms. Kelly Bean, Departmental Analyst, Elevator & Ski/Amusement Division, BCC
Ms. Tracie Pack, Departmental Analyst, Administrative Services Division, BCC
Ms. M. Catherine Waskiewicz, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Vice Chairperson Meyer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. A quorum was present at that time.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Gano and **SECONDED** by Board Member Wheat to amend and approve the agenda, adding an acknowledgment to Mr. James Bartlett's board service under New Business. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 10, 2021

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Gano and **SECONDED** by Board Member Bracket to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2021 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. Chairperson

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Gano and **SECONDED** by Board Member Wheat to nominate Vice Chairperson Timothy Meyer as Chairperson. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairperson Meyer and **SECONDED** by Board Member Carnevale to nominate Board Member Gano as Vice Chairperson. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. MEET AND GREET WITH LARA ADMINISTRATION

LARA Deputy Director Pendleton was unable to attend during this portion of the meeting; therefore, this matter was tabled until she was able to arrive.

6. MODIFICATIONS

A. Big Snow Resort – Blackjack Mountain

Mr. Bill Radtke’s request for modification for Big Snow Resort – Blackjack Mountain was presented to the Board for relief from the requirements of ANSI B77-2017 4.3.4.3.1.

Mr. Radtke, Mountain Operations Manager of Big Snow Resort – Blackjack Mountain, was not present for the review.

A **MOTION** to discuss was made by Chairperson Meyer and **SECONDED** by Board Member Carnevale. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairperson Gano and **SECONDED** by Board Member Carnevale to deny the modification request for Big Snow Resort – Blackjack Mountain as submitted as the request is in violation of the ANSI Code and due to lack of sufficient documentation to support the request. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

LARA Deputy Director Pendleton arrived and introduced herself to the Board.

B. Big Snow Resort – Indianhead Mountain

Mr. Bill Radtke’s request for extension of its current modification for Big Snow Resort – Indianhead Mountain was presented to the Board for relief from the requirements of ANSI B77-2017 4.3.4.3.1.

Mr. Radtke, Mountain Operations Manager of Big Snow Resort – Indianhead Mountain, was not present for the review.

A **MOTION** to discuss was made by Board Member Wheat and **SECONDED** by Vice

Chairperson Gano. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Following discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairperson Gano and **SECONDED** by Board Member Wheat to deny the modification request for Big Snow Resort – Indianhead Mountain as submitted as the request is in violation of the ANSI Code and due to lack of sufficient documentation to support the request. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Vice Chairperson Gano requested a resolution be adopted for James Bartlett for his years of service on board.

Discussion was had about how operators plan to handle COVID-19 for the 2021-2022 ski season. Members stated the importance of remaining fluid with any changes at the time the season begins. Also discussed was following Governor Whitmer’s and MIOASHAs directives. Some resorts plan to mandate mask wearing for employees and to continue to limit ticket sales.

9. BUREAU QUARTERLY REPORT

Deputy Director Gensler reported on the following:

Thanked the board members for their time and service to the Ski Area Safety Board. Their commitment to their Board is appreciated by the Bureau as well as their industry.

The Bureau continues to work with auditors regarding their findings during its 2020 audit.

Chris Williams has resigned from State service, and the Bureau is working to ensure inspections are not delayed due to the vacancy.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE – JUNE 9, 2022

The Board is scheduled to meet next at 1:00p.m. at 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, MI 48933 in Upper Level Conference Room 4 on June 9, 2022.

12. ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Carnevale and **SECONDED** by Vice Chairperson Gano to adjourn the meeting at 1:43 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**