

STATE OF MICHIGAN
MICHIGAN GAMING CONTROL BOARD

PUBLIC MEETING
Cadillac Place Hearing Room and Via Zoom
3062 W. Grand Blvd., Suite L-700
Detroit, Michigan 48202

October 17, 2023, 9:30 a.m.
MEETING MINUTES

On Tuesday October 17, 2023, the Michigan Gaming Control Board held a public meeting, in person and via Zoom, at the Board's office in Cadillac Place, 3062 W. Grand Boulevard, Suite L-700, Detroit, Michigan 48202.

Present: In attendance were the following Board Members:

Linda Forte, Chair
Joni Thrower Davis
Deidre Lambert-Bounds
Andrew Palms

Also attending:

Henry Williams, Executive Director
Derek Mathis, Board Analyst
Gerald Whalen, Assistant Attorney General
Kellie McGuire, Assistant Attorney General
D/F/Lt. Marcus Trammel, MSP
Lisa Keith, Communications Specialist

Business:

Ms. Forte called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. and all Board Members were present.

There was no preliminary business to discuss.

Ms. Forte stated the first order of business was to approve the minutes from the Board's regular public meeting held August 15, 2023. It was noted Board Members previously received copies of the minutes. Board Members were asked if there were any questions, concerns, or corrections; there were none.

A motion was made by Ms. Lambert-Bounds and supported by Mr. Palms that the Board accept and approve the minutes of the August 15, 2023, regular public meeting. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Williams began his presentation of the Executive Director's Report to the Board.

Mr. Williams introduced the new Deputy Director of Licensing and Investigations, Tina Algana. Tina worked for the Michigan Gaming Control Board previously from 1998-2006, in which she then left to work for UIA.

Mr. Williams then went on to discuss the Legislative Meet and Greet on September 14th, in which several State representatives and Senators attended.

Mr. Williams then went on to discuss the annual Global Gaming Expo in Las Vegas in which several MGCB staff attended.

In addition, Mr. Williams discussed in September, MGCB staff attended the Congressional Black Caucus Conference.

Also, Mr. Williams acknowledged and congratulated the Responsible Gaming section for their "Don't Regret the Bet" campaign which has now received its third Platinum award, the MarCom.

Lastly, Mr. Williams presented gambling treatment information which details a 24-hour toll-free helpline at 1-800-270-7117 in addition to the MGCB's Responsible Gaming section at 1-888-223-3044. Mr. Williams concluded his report.

First regular agenda item the Board considered for approval was the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Casino Operations Division's Employee Licensing staff regarding the 153 Level 1 and Level 2 occupational license applications.

There being no questions from Board Members, it was moved by Board Member Ms. Thrower Davis and supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds that the Board enter an Order accepting and adopting the recommendations. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendation regarding the pending supplier license application requests of 7 Stone Management L.L.C., Adventura Inc., Gaming Associates Europe LTD, Media Troopers Inc., and Spectate Limited.

There were no questions from Board members. Mr. Palms made a motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending supplier license renewal requests of Acres Manufacturing Company, AGS LLC, Ainsworth Game Technology Limited, Betfair Interactive US LLC d/b/a FanDuel Sportsbook, with New Key Persons Carolan Mary Lennon, John Anthony Bryant, and Pdraig Anthony O'Riordain, Colasanti Construction Services, Inc., Dee Cramer, Inc. Del Bene Produce, Inc., Diversified Construction Specialists, Inc., Guideline Mechanical, Inc., with New Key Person Joseph Dominic Carreri, Jasman Construction, Inc., Masque Publishing, Inc., Master Craft Carpet Service, Inc. d/b/a Master Craft Floors, Premier Services Group, LLC, Socios Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Quality Meats and Culinary Specialties, Sportradar Solutions LLC d/b/a Sportradar, Sports Information Services Limited d/b/a Kambi, with New Key Persons Veralda (FL) AG, Herivesi Trust, and ULF Mattias Lindahl, Surveillance Systems Integration, Inc. d/b/a Surveillance Systems Incorporated, and Thomas Gallaway Corporation d/b/a Technologist.

There being no questions from Board Members, Mr. Palms supported the motion put forth by Ms. Lambert-Bounds that the Board enter Orders finding the suppliers and their qualifiers eligible and suitable for license renewal and, accordingly, grant the requests for a one-year period. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next was consideration by the Board of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the suitability of New Key Persons of supplier licensees AlchemyBet Limited, with New Key Person Geoffrey Robert Green, Betfair Interactive US LLC d/b/a FanDuel Sportsbook, with New Key Persons Carolan Mary Lennon, John Anthony Bryant, and Pdraig Anthony O'Riordain, Digital Gaming Corporation, USA d/b/a DGC, with New Key Persons SGHC Limited, Super Group (SGHC) Limited, Ridgeway Associates Limited, Alea Holdings Limited, Knutsson Limited, Waddle Limited, Chivers Limited, Waddle Limited As Trustee Of The Chivers Trust (The Chivers Trust), Alea Trust, Neal Menashe, Alinda Van Wyk, Richard Samy Hasson, Eric Peter Grubman, John Michael Collins, Sion David Roberts, Nicholas Jole Barcroft Kelly, Moira Thomas Mcharrie, Martin Derek Hall, Leanna Rosamund Dobson, David Anthony Karran, Basil Dean Bielich, Anne Elizabeth Couper Woods, Alexander Fleming McNee, John Le Poidevin, Robert James Dutnall, Natara Holloway Branch, and Jonathan Robert Jossel, Everi Interactive LLC, with New Key Person Debra Lee Nutton, Everi Payments Inc., with New Key Person Debra Lee Nutton, Greentube USA LLC, with New Key Persons Benjamin Raz Sutherland and Zachary Todd Present, SimpleBet, Inc., with New Key Persons Mark Elliot Nerenberg, Juan Ramon Hernandez Duarte, and Matthew John Primmer, Sports Information Services Limited d/b/a Kambi, with New Key Persons Veralda (FL) AG, Herivesi Trust, and ULF Mattias Lindahl, WSI US, LLC d/b/a WynnBet, with New Key Persons Fertitta Entertainment, Inc., Hospitality Headquarters, Inc., Tilman Joseph Fertitta, Steven Lee Scheinthal, and Richard Holden Liem. Board Members did not have any questions therefore, Ms. Thrower-Davis put forth a motion for approval. The motion was supported by Mr. Palms. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next was consideration by the Board of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the suitability of New Key Persons of MGM Grand Detroit, LLC d/b/a MGM Grand Detroit Casino, with New Key Persons Mark McDonald Strawn and Benjamin Saul Winston. Board Members did not have any questions therefore, Mr. Palms put forth a motion for approval. The motion was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending request for Exemption of Institutional Investors of Supplier Licensee 888 Atlantic Limited, with New Institutional Investor Parvus Asset Management Europe Limited, Aristocrat Technologies, Inc., with New Institutional Investor BlackRock, Inc., Betfair Interactive US LLC d/b/a FanDuel Sportsbook, with New Institutional Investor BlackRock, Inc., VHL Michigan, LLC, with New Institutional Investor Parvus Asset Management Europe Limited. Board Members did not have any questions therefore, Ms. Lambert-Bounds put forth a motion for approval. The motion was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending request for Exemption of Institutional Investors of Casino, Internet Gaming Operator, and Sports Betting Operator Licensee Greektown Casino, L.L.C. d/b/a Hollywood Casino at Greektown, with New Institutional Investor HG Vora Capital Management, LLC, and MGM Grand Detroit, LLC d/b/a MGM Grand Detroit Casino, with New Institutional Investor T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. Board Members did not have any questions therefore, Ms. Thrower-Davis put forth a motion for approval. The motion was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the Transfer of Interest for Digital Gaming Corporation, USA, Guideline Mechanical, Inc., Sports Information Services Limited d/b/a Kambi (Anders Strom to Veralda (FL) AG, Sports Information Services Limited d/b/a Kambi Veralda (FL) AG to Herivesi

Trust), and WSI US, LLC d/b/a WynnBet. Board Members did not have any questions therefore, Mr. Palms put forth a motion for approval. The motion was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

The Board next considered is the Acknowledgement of Violation of supplier licensee BetMGM, L.L.C. d/b/a ROAR Digital. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made the motion for approval which was supported by Mr. Palms. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The Board next considered the Casino Operations Division's recommendation regarding the Proposal for Decision of occupational licensee Evale Thomas-Teague. Assistant Attorney General Kellie McGuire summarized the facts of the Violation. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Thrower-Davis made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The Board next considered the Casino Operations Division's recommendation regarding the Level 2 Occupational License Application of Jaylen Applewhite. Assistant Attorney General Kellie McGuire summarized the facts of the Violation. There were no questions from Board Members. Mr. Palms made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

There were six requests from the public to address the Board, all from the Detroit Casino Council.

Ms. Forte then announced the Board's next regular public meeting would be held November 14, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

Ms. Forte then asked for a motion to go into closed session. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made the motion which was supported by Mr. Palms. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Following the closed session, the public meeting resumed, and a voice vote was taken to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2023, closed session. Motion carried.

Mr. Palms then made a motion to adjourn the public meeting which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Ms. Forte adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Derek Mathis

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