

Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission

Minutes of Public Session

March 19, 2020

PUBLIC SESSION

I. Call to Order

The March 19, 2020 meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission was called to order by Chair Kristen Blessman at approximately 9:14 a.m. via a Cisco Webex video conference. Commissioners Coleman, Nathan and Davis were present via Cisco Webex and a quorum existed. Commissioner Carlson was excused for good cause.

Officials & Administrators in Attendance

Kristen Blessman, Chair via Cisco Webex

Shawn Coleman, Commissioner via Cisco Webex

Richard Nathan, Commissioner via Cisco Webex

Justin Davis, Commissioner via Cisco Webex

Dan Hartman, Director

Matt Heap, Chief of Investigations via Cisco Webex

Ceri Williams, Senior Assistant Attorney General via Cisco Webex

Torrey Samson, Assistant Attorney General via Cisco Webex

Suzanne Karrer, Communications Manager

Paul Hogan, Chief Auditor

Vickie Floyd, Controller

John Madruga, Agent in Charge, Background Unit

Brett Buckingham, Supervisory Investigator

Breanne Rodlin, Assistant to the Director, Secretary to the Commission

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission voted unanimously to go into Executive Session pursuant to sections 24-6-402(3)(a)(III), 44-30-521(1)(a) and (b), and 44-30-1507 of the Colorado Revised Statutes to review confidential reports from the Division of Gaming and the Colorado Bureau of Investigation.

PUBLIC SESSION (reconvened)

II. Approval of Sports Betting Licensing Actions

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the First Master Licenses for Premier Entertainment Black Hawk, LLC d/b/a Golden Mardi Gras, Premier Entertainment Black Hawk, LLC d/b/a Golden Gates, and Premier Entertainment Black Hawk, LLC d/b/a Golden Gulch. The licenses will expire on January 16, 2022, to allow the expiration date to coincide with Premier Entertainment Black Hawk, LLC's Retail and Manufacturer/Distributor Licenses.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the First Master Licenses for FHR-Colorado LLC d/b/a Bronco Billy's Casino, FHR-Colorado LLC d/b/a Christmas Casino & Inn by Bronco Billy's, and FHR-Colorado LLC d/b/a Billy's Casino. The licenses will expire on February 18, 2022, to allow the expiration date to coincide with Full House Resort's Retail and Manufacturer/Distributor licenses.

The issuance of the above Master licenses does not concurrently grant approval to entities or individuals with whom such licensees have entered into, or considered entering into contracts for sports betting operations or internet sports betting operations; nor does it preclude any entities or individuals from being called forward by the Division to conduct a comprehensive background investigation regarding their suitability to operate in Colorado.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Temporary Internet Sports Betting Operator Licenses for TSG Interactive US Services Limited d/b/a Fox Bet and BetFair Interactive US LLC d/b/a FanDuel Sportsbook. The temporary licenses were issued pending the final results of the Division's background investigation.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve both the Temporary Internet Sports Betting Operator and Temporary Sports Betting Operator Licenses for PointsBet Colorado LLC d/b/a PointsBet. The temporary licenses were issued pending the final results of the Division's background investigation.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Temporary Vendor Major Licenses for BetWorks (US) LLC, Stadium Technology Group, LLC, and Sports Information Services Limited. The temporary licenses were issued pending the final results of the Division's background investigation.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Vendor Minor Licenses for OBeP Payments, LLC, PopOdds, Inc. d/b/a abe, and Fan Leads, Inc. The licenses will expire 2 years from the dates of issuance.

III. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Commission

Chair Blessman extended her condolences to the Gaming Industry addressing the closure of Casinos and the hard times that have fallen upon all employers and employees during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Peggi O'Keefe, Colorado Gaming Association, thanked Chair Blessman for her kind words and she also expressed the concerns Gaming business have about their staff and patrons during the unprecedented times being experienced. She also thanked Director Hartman and the Division staff for their diligence in getting information out to the industry.

Rebecca Giden, Senior Analyst for Eilers and Krejcik Gaming, asked if the licenses put before the Commission were still going to be approved in a timely fashion, or if delays in licensing would occur. Director Hartman stated that the additional meetings scheduled for Sports Betting

License approvals were still happening on time. He also explained that the launch date for Sports Betting in Colorado was still projected as May 1, 2020.

Eric Frank, Group Compliance Officer and VP of Legal Affairs for the Stars Group, thanked the Commission for the approval of the Temporary Internet Sports Betting Operator License issued to TSG.

IV. Consideration of Disciplinary Actions

The Commission voted unanimously to table the Orders of Summary Suspension in Case No. DOG 19004951 In the Matter of Santosh Pathak, Support License No. 43142 and Case No. DOG 19004092 In the Matter of Jeremy Earl Woodard, Support License No. 46646 until a future Commission meeting.

V. Consideration of Division Financial Statements for January 2020

Vickie Floyd, Controller for the Division of Gaming, presented the Statement of Gaming Revenues, Gaming Taxes, and Expenditures (unaudited) for the seventh months ending on January 31, 2020. Discussion was had by the Commission regarding the report findings.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the financial statement for January 2020 and authorize its distribution.

VI. Consideration of Limited Gaming Rule 23—Rules for Craps

The Commission voted unanimously to open and continue the hearing on Colorado Limited Gaming Rule 23 until the April 16, 2020 meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission.

VII. Consideration of Operating Budget Consolidation

Director Hartman gave a presentation outlining the proposed consolidation of the Operating Budget for the Division of Gaming. Discussion was had by the Commission.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the proposed Operating Budget Consolidation as presented.

VIII. Consideration of Organizational Matters

1. Adoption of Minutes for March 5, 2020

The Commission approved the minutes from the March 5, 2020 Special Meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission.

2. Director's Update

Dan Hartman, Director of the Division of Gaming, explained the Division's efforts to provide pertinent information and aid in the closure of Casinos after the Governor's Executive Order was announced on Monday, March 16, 2020. He stated that the order was expected to continue through mid-April and that, as the Division received information, it would promptly be sent out to the gaming industry. Director Hartman emphasized that communication between the Division and Licensees was essential not only for the currently evolving situation but also for the success of the May 1st Sports Betting launch deadline. Director Hartman stated that the Division offices were closed to the public but that licensing applications were still being processed and could be dropped in on-site drop boxes or submitted electronically through the Division of Gaming website.

Adjournment

The Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the March 19, 2020 meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Commission at 11:33 a.m.

Breanne Rodlin, Secretary to the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission