

Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission

Minutes of Public Session
January 15, 2015

Public Session

I. Call to Order

The January 15, 2015 meeting of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission was called to order by Chairman Roger Hutson at approximately 9:30 a.m. at the Division of Gaming office, 17301 W. Colfax Ave, Suite 135, Golden, Colorado. Commissioners Jannine Mohr and Chuck Murphy were present, and a quorum existed. Commissioner Bill Hughes arrived during Agenda item IV. – Division Financial Statement and Commissioner Doug Darr arrived during Agenda item V. – Consideration of Policy 15-01.

Officials & Administrators in Attendance

Roger Hutson, Chairman
Jannine Mohr, Vice-Chairman
Chuck Murphy, Commissioner
Doug Darr, Commissioner
Bill Hughes, Commissioner
Laura Manning, Director
Brenda Davis, Director of Administration
Flavio Quintana, Chief of Investigations
Ceri Williams, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Geri Clerkin, Chief Auditor
Vickie Floyd, Controller
Kirsten Gregg, Agent in Charge, Golden
Lad Sullivan, Agent in Charge, Central City
Chris Moore, Agent in Charge, Cripple Creek
Ronni Hunter, Rules Manager

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II. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Commission

The Chairman extended an opportunity for the public in attendance to address the Commission on any topic not on the agenda; no one came forward.

III. Consideration of Disciplinary Actions

Ceri Williams, Senior Assistant Attorney General, presented the Stipulation and Agreement in Case No. SA 14-4245, In the Matter of Cheryl Whiting, License No. 33598, the Order to Show Cause in Case No. DOG14004351, In the Matter of Vikki Van Wagoner, Support License No.

43905 and the Order of Summary Suspension in Case No. 14-003631, In the Matter of Scottie William Murphy, Support License No. 40672.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the disciplinary actions.

IV. Division Financial Statement

Vickie Floyd, Controller, presented the Statement of Gaming Revenues, Gaming Taxes, and Expenditures (unaudited) for the five (5) months ending November 30, 2014.

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

V. Consideration of Policy 15-01

At the last meeting, the Commission requested that the Division provide them with language for a policy stating that hearing decisions should be issued within 60-days, unless good cause warrants a longer period. Upon review of proposed Policy 15-01, to that effect, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the policy, as presented.

VI. Consideration of Organizational Matters

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the December 18, 2014 Public Session of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission were approved as presented.

Approval of Property Ownership:

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the ownership of Division of Gaming employees who own private property in Gilpin or Teller counties for residential purposes pursuant to §12-47.1-401(1)(b), C.R.S.

Directors' Update:

Laura Manning, Director, Division of Gaming, announced that the 2015 legislative session has opened and the Division has begun monitoring legislation that pertains to the Division and Industry. Of interest in the current legislative session is the return of the internet sweepstakes café bill, which was initially introduced near the end of the 2014 session, and clearly stated that internet sweepstakes cafes are illegal in Colorado. The 2014 session ended before the bill made it through legislation. Since then, the Attorney General has issued a formal opinion stating that internet sweepstakes café gambling is illegal and would require an amendment to the Constitution to become legal. If the bill passes in legislature, the matter will be written in statute. Next, Director Manning stated that Chairman Hutson will be confirmed for his second term before the Senate Finance Committee on February 3rd. Lastly, Ms. Manning introduced Mike Barnett, a new Investigator in the Cripple Creek office, and Melissa Davis, the new Licensing Specialist in Central City. Welcome aboard, Mike and Melissa!

Brenda Davis, Director of Administration, Division of Gaming, presented the Commission with a plan to replace the Division's E-Z File system, which is used by the Industry to file gaming taxes, financial statements and track devices/personnel. E-Z File has become progressively unstable over the years; therefore, the Division has reached out to a vendor that the Department currently has a contract with for an estimate on a system replacement. The Division believes that its budget for Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016 will cover the expense of the system replacement, preventing supplemental budget requests of the Commission, which could potentially take away from the distribution of the gaming fund. The Division will keep the Commission apprised of the project progress.

Executive Session

The Commission voted unanimously to go into Executive Session pursuant to sections 24-6-402(3)(a)(III), 12-47.1-522(1)(a) and (b), and 12-47.1-527(1) of the Colorado Revised Statutes to review confidential reports from the Division of Gaming and Colorado Bureau of Investigation.

Public Session (Reconvened)

VII. Approval of Licensing Actions

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Renewal of the Retail License for RCH Colorado, LLC d/b/a Reserve Casino Hotel. St. John Properties, LLC and Edward St. John II shall not have any right to vote, directly or indirectly, on any matter eligible for vote by the members of 321, nor exercise any control on the licensee or any of its associated businesses. The license Renewal shall expire 2 years from the date of its current expiration.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Change of Ownership and Renewal of the Retail License for Kings, Queens, and Jacks, LLC d/b/a Saratoga Casino Black Hawk. The license shall expire two years from the date of its current expiration.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Renewal of the Manufacturer/Distributor Licenses for Konami Gaming, Inc. and F&E/Financial Equipment Company, Inc. The licenses shall expire two years from the date of their current expirations.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Renewal of the Operator License for Konami Gaming, Inc. The license shall expire two years from the date of its current expiration.

The Chairman extended an additional opportunity for the public to address the Commission; no one came forward.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:18 a.m.



Allison Yunko, Secretary to the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission