

## **LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD**

### **Minutes of June 8, 2015**

The monthly meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board was convened on Monday, May 18, 2015, 10:00 a.m., in the LaBelle Hearing Room of the LaSalle Building. Present at the meeting were: Ronnie Jones, Chairman, Ayres Bradford, Mark Stipe, James Singleton, Denise Noonan, Claude Mercer, Claude Jackson, Robert Gaston and Julie Berry. Absent were ex-officio members, Colonel Mike Edmonson and Secretary Tim Barfield.

The meeting was called to order. Chairman Jones stated since the Legislative Session was ending on June 11<sup>th</sup>, the Board would return to the Capitol for the July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. He also stated he had met with the General Managers in the Shreveport/Bossier City area concerning the Red River flooding, and that all the casino properties remain open. Chairman Jones called on Captain Glen Hale, State Police Gaming Division, to provide a current update on the flooding.

It was moved by Mr. Gaston to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the May meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit Section, provided revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino, slots at the track, video poker, and employee numbers for the landbased casino. Ms. Jackson noted that May's Riverboat Revenue generated the highest monthly revenue since the inception of riverboat gaming.

The Board considered the renewal application for the riverboat license of Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. d/b/a Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge – No. R011700193. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Gaston to approve the resolution approving the five-year renewal of the license. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the petition for approval of refinancing transactions by Eldorado Resorts, Inc. and Eldorado Casino Shreveport – No. R013600005. Following discussion, it was moved by Major Mercer to adopt the resolution approving the refinancing transactions. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Partnership d/b/a DiamondJacks Casino & Resort – No. R010800195. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Berry to issue the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the following truckstop applications:

1. Northwest Corporation d/b/a Players Paradise Casino – No. 5104505863 – Motion by Mr. Singleton to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

2. LAG Oasis, LLC d/b/a Elmwood Oasis – No. 2604515927 – Motion by Mr. Stipe to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. Vick Investments, LLC d/b/a Wagin Cajun Lounge – No. 1000516996 – Motion by Mr. Jackson to approve the application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on a rehearing request in the following:

1. **In Re: Fernando M. Thomas – No. P040009418** – Motion by Mr. Bradford to grant the request and forward the matter to the Hearing Office for a hearing on the recommendation of revocation. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to adjourn. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.