

STATE OF MAINE Department of Public Safety Gambling Control Board 87 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0087

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Gambling Control Board Minutes of July 19, 2022 Board Meeting Held online via Zoom application.

# CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steven Silver called the meeting to order at 9:03 am via Zoom application online due to the current coronavirus pandemic.

# **MEMBERS PRESENT ONLINE**

Steven Silver, Board Chair Joseph Hanslip Chief Noel March

# **STAFF PRESENT ONLINE**

Milton Champion, Executive Director Detective Don Armstrong Vicki Gardner, Inspector Supervisor Wyatt Bisbee, Auditor Mallory Reilly, Office Specialist I Cami Hippler, Office Assistant II Jennifer Willis, AAG Katie Johnson, AAG

# MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

### June 2022 Meeting Minutes approval

*Mr. Joseph Hanslip moves to approve the June 21, 2022 meeting minutes. Chief Noel March seconded the motion. Moves to roll call.* 

Members	
Steven Silver	Yea
Joseph Hanslip:	Yea
<b>Chief Noel March:</b>	Yea
The motion passed 3 in far	vor.

# **OPERATIONS REPORT – VICKI GARDNER, INSPECTOR SUPERVISOR**

In June 2022 there were 12 shipments of machines and/or associated equipment shipped to or from licensed facilities. On-site inspectors completed 739 observations and 32 checklists. There were 16 self-exclusions. There was 1 minor violation that will continue to be monitored

from the activity log, 0 patron complaints; and 4 formal complaints of potential violation placed on the dashboard.

There were 17 calls for service at Hollywood Casino, of those 5 were parking lot/garage related, 7 related to incidents inside the hotel, and 5 related to incidents inside the casino. Oxford Casino had 9 calls for service, of those 0 were parking lot related, 4 related to incidents inside the hotel and 5 related to incidents inside the casino.

### FINANCIAL REPORT – Wyatt Bisbee, Auditor

For the month of June 2022, the Unit has identified an increase of 9.2% in total tax revenue for both facilities versus June 2021.

Year to date the Unit has identified the same increase of 26.2% versus last year at the same time. Oxford Casino reported 7.96% win for the month of June from slots and 20.32% win from table games. Oxford's payback percentage was 92%. Average gross win per machine was \$266.62.

Hollywood Casino reported a win percentage of 9.45% win for the month of June from slots and 17.40% from table games. Hollywood's payback percentage was 90.55% and average gross win per machine was \$218.50.

For Advance Deposit Wagering there was a 37.5% increase in tax revenue for the month of June 2022 compared to June 2021. The year to date revenue collected from out-of-state and in state races was \$124,162.34, an increase of 3.8% from the first six months of 2021.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

In regard to the table game fees inquiry to the Board at the June 21 meeting, a memo of understanding was submitted and signed off by the Director and general managers to memorialize that at this time Hollywood Casino has 18 table game positions and Oxford Casino has 30 table game positions.. A copy of that memo was placed in the drop box.

The effective date for LD 1745 is August 8, 2022 This bill allows employee licensees to seek renewal for periods of one year or for three years.

The Sports wagering bill (LD 1352) becomes law next month. The rules are in development. It is the Unit's plan to establish a technology center in the main Department of Public Safety Office at 45 Commerce Drive in Augusta to meet the anticipated surveillance requirements.

# License Applications for Review: None

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

# Appendix A – Final Review for adoption

Appendix A will need to be published again for public comment. Director Champion went through the public comments received at the Public hearing held on May 27, 2022.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

### Hollywood Casino Proposed Internal Control Changes-

Melissa McRae, Compliance Manager for Hollywood Casino, presented requested changes to their personnel organization chart and position descriptions to the Board.

After discussion, Mr. Joseph Hanslip motions to propose two clarifying revisions back to Hollywood Casino and receive back in writing once complete. Chief Noel March seconded the motion.

Members	
Steven Silver	Yea
Joseph Hanslip:	Yea
Chief Noel March:	Yea
The motion nagged 2 in favor	

*The motion passed 3 in favor.* 

### **Board Business-**

Chair Silver requested an organization chart of each facilities Executive team to know who is in each position.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT –**

N/A

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*Chief Noel March moves to adjourn the Gambling Control Board meeting. Mr. Joseph Hanslip seconded the motion. Motion moves to roll call.* 

MembersSteven SilverYeaJoseph Hanslip:YeaChief Noel March:YeaThe motion passed 4 in favor, motion passes.

The meeting adjourns at 10:53 AM. The next Board meeting will be held on September 20, 2022 at 9:00am.

Respectfully submitted by: Mallory Reilly Office Specialist I Board approved: 9/20/2022