

## **Meeting Minutes**

Date:

February 28, 2019

Time:

10:10 a.m.

Place:

**Massachusetts Gaming Commission** 

101 Federal Street, 12th Floor

Boston, MA 02110

Present:

Chair Cathy Judd-Stein

Commissioner Gayle Cameron Commissioner Eileen O'Brien Commissioner Bruce Stebbins Commissioner Enrique Zuniga

## **Executive Session**

10:10 a.m.

Chair Judd-Stein asked for a motion to enter into executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A §21(a) (3) for the purpose of discussing litigation strategy in the case of Stephen A. Wynn vs. Karen Wells, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission, and Wynn Resorts, when a discussion in an open session would have a detrimental effect on the litigation position for the Commission. Chair Judd-Stein stated that the Commission would reconvene in public session after the executive session. The motion was made by Commissioner O'Brien and seconded by Commissioner Stebbins.

By roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien Aye
Commissioner Stebbins Aye
Commissioner Zuniga Aye
Commissioner Cameron Aye
Chair Judd-Stein Aye

The Commission entered into executive session.

In addition to the Commissioners, Attorneys David Mackey and Paul Kominers from Anderson & Kreiger, Executive Director Ed Bedrosian, General Counsel Catherine Blue, Deputy General Counsel Todd Grossman, and Communications Director Elaine Driscoll were present.

General Counsel Blue explained that the purpose of the executive session was to review the minutes of the executive sessions from February 1, February 14 and February 20 and to update the Commissioners on the status of the resolution agreement and dismissal of the Nevada litigation.

Mr. Mackey explained to the Commission

The Commissioners first reviewed the executive session minutes for February 1. General Counsel Blue noted for the Commissioners that

She advised the Commission that she added additional language on this matter for the Commissioners' review. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes and suggested additional changes. The Commissioners also asked Mr. Mackey for his suggested changes, which he shared with the Commissioners. The Commissioners directed Ms. Blue to make the changes, share the minutes with Mr. Mackey, and finalize the minutes for the file. The Commission also advised Ms. Blue to prepare redacted versions of the minutes for public release in accordance with the public records law and the attorney client privilege and share the redacted version with Mr. Mackey for his review.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cameron to approve the February 1 executive session minutes subject to the changes requested by the Commission and review by counsel. Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion was approved with 4 in favor and 1 abstention – Chair Judd-Stein was not in attendance at the February 1 meeting having not yet joined the Commission at that date.

The Commissioners next reviewed the executive session minutes for February 14. General Counsel Blue noted for the Commissioners that this was the first time that the Commissioners were reviewing these minutes. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes and suggested additional changes. The Commissioners also asked Mr. Mackey for his suggested changes, which he shared with the Commissioners. The Commissioners directed Ms. Blue to make the changes, share the minutes with Mr. Mackey, and finalize the minutes for the file. The Commission also advised Ms. Blue to prepare redacted versions of the minutes for public release in accordance with the public records law and the attorney client privilege and share the redacted version with Mr. Mackey for his review.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Brien to approve the February 14 executive session minutes subject to the changes requested by the Commission and review by counsel. Commissioner Zuniga seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Commissioners next reviewed the executive session minutes for February 20. General Counsel Blue noted for the Commissioners that this was the first time that the Commissioners were reviewing these minutes. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes and suggested additional changes. The Commissioners also asked Mr. Mackey for his suggested changes, which he shared with the Commissioners. The Commissioners directed Ms. Blue to make the changes, share the minutes with Mr. Mackey, and finalize the minutes for the file. The Commission also advised Ms. Blue to prepare redacted versions of the minutes for public release in accordance with the public records law and the attorney client privilege and share the redacted version with Mr. Mackey for his review.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cameron to approve the February 20 executive session minutes subject to the changes requested by the Commission and review by counsel. Commissioner Zuniga seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Mackey then briefed the Commissioners on the status of the resolution of the Nevada litigation. He informed the Commission that the other parties have signed the resolution agreement and that the resolution agreement is now ready for the Commissioners' signatures. The Commissioners signed the resolution agreement. Mr. Mackey will obtain Karen Wells', Director of the IEB, signature tomorrow morning. After obtaining Ms. Wells' signature, Mr. Mackey will sign the stipulation of dismissal on behalf of the Commission and send both the Commissioners' signature and the signed stipulation of dismissal to Nevada counsel. Nevada counsel will share the signatures with the other parties and the stipulation of dismissal will be filed in the afternoon, Nevada time. Once the stipulation of dismissal is filed, the litigation will be dismissed with prejudice against all parties.

12:35 p.m. Chair Judd-Stein asked for a motion to conclude the executive session and to reconvene in public session. The motion was made by Commissioner O'Brien and seconded by Commissioner Zuniga.

Commissioner O'Brien Aye
Commissioner Stebbins Aye
Commissioner Zuniga Aye
Commissioner Cameron Aye

By roll call vote:

Chair Judd-Stein Aye

12:40 p.m. The meeting was reconvened in public session.

/s/ Catherine Blue Catherine Blue Assistant Secretary