



**NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA
February 3, 2021**

PLEASE NOTE: Given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, Governor Charles Baker issued an order to provide limited relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of individuals interested in attending public meetings. In keeping with the guidance provided, the Commission will conduct a public meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology. If there is any technical problem with our remote connection, an alternative conference line will be noticed immediately on our website: MassGaming.com.

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission. The meeting will take place:

**Wednesday, February 3, 2021
10:00 a.m.
Massachusetts Gaming Commission
VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292
PARTICIPANT CODE: 112 649 1776**

PUBLIC MEETING #94

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes
 - a. January 20, 2021
3. Agenda planning for upcoming Commission Meetings (see attachment)
4. Commissioner Updates
5. Other business – reserved for matters the Chair did not reasonably anticipate at the time of posting.

I certify that on this date, this Notice was posted as “Massachusetts Gaming Commission Meeting” at www.massgaming.com and emailed to: regs@sec.state.ma.us, melissa.andrade@state.ma.us.

Monday, February 1, 2021

Cathy/Judd-Stein, Chair

Posted to Website: Monday, February 1, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.



Massachusetts Gaming Commission

MASSACHUSETTS GAMING COMMISSION AGENDA PLANNING NOTES	Assigned Person	Documents Due For Books	Potential Commission Meeting*	NOTES
1. Administrative Update	K. Wells		All Agendas	
2. Regulations (will be added per meeting)	T. Grossman		All Agendas	
3. Legislative Updates	T. Grossman J. Griffin C. Howard		All Agendas	
4. Budget Update – Gaming Positions – CMF Budget – Legal Litigation Costs	D. Lennon	2/8/21	2/11/21	VOTE
5. Evaluation - Executive Director	Commission	2/8/21	2/11/21	
6. Independent Monitor Update - Second Report	C. Judd-Stein E. O'Brien	2/8/21	2/11/21	
7. Licensee Quarterly Reports	J. Delaney	2/8/21 2/22/21	2/11/21 2/25/21	
8. CMF Application Update Review	J. Delaney M. Thurlow T. Perez	2/22/21	2/25/21	
9. Harness Horsemen Assoc. - Pension Plan Review	Dr. Lightbown	2/22/21	2/25/21	
10. Encore and 1 Year Public Safety Report	M. Vander Linden	3/8/21	3/11/21	
11. MGM 1 Year Public Safety Report	M. Vander Linden	3/8/21	3/11/21	

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12. MGC Employee and Vendor Diversity	K. Wells D. Lennon J. Griffin		Under Review	
13. Conference Update	G. Cameron		Under Review	
14. NDA Discussion	K. Wells T. Grossman		Under Review	
15. Internal Audit and Compliance Working Grp. Update	K. Wells		Under Review	
*Assigned meeting dates are to change				



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: January 20, 2021, 10:00a.m.
Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission
VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5293
PARTICIPANT CODE: 112 966 3627

Commissioners and Senior Staff Present:

Chair Cathy Judd-Stein
Commissioner Gayle Cameron
Commissioner Eileen O'Brien
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga
Chief of Gaming Agents Bruce Band
Chief of Community Affairs Joseph Delaney
Dir. Workforce, Supplier, and Diversity
Development Jill Griffin
General Counsel Todd Grossman
Chief Information Officer Katrina Jagroop-Gomes
Chief Financial and Accounting Officer
Derek Lennon

Dir. Racing Dr. Alexandra Lightbown
Chief Enforcement Counsel/Deputy Dir. IEB
Loretta Lillios
Senior Enforcement Counsel Katherine
Muxie-Hartigan
Associate General Counsel Carrie Torrisi
Dir. Research and Responsible Gaming Mark
Vander Linden
Executive Director Karen Wells

Call to Order

Chair Judd-Stein called to order the 93rd agenda setting meeting. Chair Judd-Stein declared that given the unprecedented circumstances resulting from the global Coronavirus pandemic, Governor Charles Baker issued an order to provide limited relief from certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law to protect the health and safety of individuals interested in attending public meetings. She concluded that in keeping with the guidance provided, the Commission will conduct this meeting utilizing remote collaboration technology.

All four commissioners were present for the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner O'Brien moved to approve the minutes from the agenda setting meeting of January 6, 2021, subject to corrections for typographical errors or other nonmaterial matters. Commissioner Cameron seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner Cameron: Aye.

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Zuniga: Aye.

Chair Judd-Stein: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

The Commission and staff discussed the anticipated agenda for the upcoming Commission meeting scheduled for January 28, 2021 and subsequent meetings as described in the attached agenda planning notes, as follows:

Item #1 -- Administrative Update.

Director Wells recommended keeping this item on the agenda. The first part of this item will be an update from Director Lillios and Chief Band on casino operations during the current state of the pandemic. The second part will focus on an administrative update from the ITS department from CIO Jagroop-Gomes.

Item #2 -- Regulations.

Attorney Grossman and Ms. Torrisi noted that they will present on regulations 205 CMR 134.01 and .02, which essentially allow gaming licensees to bring in employees from sister establishments, and which are currently in effect by emergency. This item would be for final promulgation of the regulations.

Item #3 -- Legislative Updates.

Director Griffin and Attorney Grossman will not have updates.

Item #4 -- CMF - Malden Reserve Grant Modification.

Chief Delaney requested to take this item off the agenda due to the grantee's request having been resolved.

Item #5 -- Juvenile Records Review Update.

Director Lillios will be ready to present this item. The need for a vote is unlikely.

Item #6 -- Status Update - Independent Directors Gaming Vendor Primary.

Director Lillios and Attorney Muxie-Hartigan will be ready to present this item. A vote will likely be unnecessary.

Item #7 -- Positive Play Initiative and Low Risk Gambling Guidelines.

Director Vander Linden will be ready to present this item joined by an external guest. It will not require a vote.

Item #8 -- Budget Update - Gaming Positions.

CFAO Lennon requested rescheduling this item for the February 11th meeting. In addition to the standard budgetary items, it will encompass a Community Mitigation Fund (“CMF”) budget proposal, gaming position updates, and potential increases to the legal budget for litigation costs. These will likely require votes.

Item #9 -- 2019 Unpaid Winnings for - Plainridge Racecourse; Suffolk Downs; Wonderland Park and Raynham Park.

Dr. Lightbown will be ready to present this item. It will require a vote. Dr. Lightbown proposed having the Commission only vote once to both approve the dollar amount of unpaid winnings and to approve its distribution, instead of the previous process of voting to approve the amount and then voting a second time to approve its distribution. The Commission found this suggestion agreeable.

No further items were brought forward for the meeting on January 28, 2021.

The following items were discussed relative to the Commission’s meeting on February 11, 2021:

Item #10 – Evaluation of Executive Director.

Commissioner O’Brien will be ready to present on this item.

Item # 11 -- Licensee Quarterly Reports.

Although exact dates for specific licensees are still undecided, Chief Delaney suggested keeping this item on the agenda.

Item #12 -- MGC Employee and Vendor Diversity.

Director Wells recommended keeping this under review.

Item #16 -- Independent Monitor Update - Second Report.

Chair Judd-Stein and Commissioner O’Brien suggested keeping this item and its associated briefings on the agenda for the February 11th meeting.

No other items were brought forward for the meeting on February 11, 2021.

The following matters identified as being “under review” were discussed as follows:

Item #13 -- Encore 1 Year Public Safety Report.

Director Vander Linden suggested reviewing this at the meeting on March 11th.

Item #14 -- MGM 1 Year Public Safety Report.

Director Vander Linden suggested reviewing this item at the meeting on March 11th.

Item #15 -- NDA Discussion.

Director Wells recommended keeping this item under review.

Item #17 -- Internal Audit and Compliance Working Group Update.

Director Wells requested keeping this item under review.

Commissioner Gayle Cameron suggested presenting on an IAGR conference update and will recommend a date at a later time.

Chief Delaney suggested updating the Commission on CMF applications that will have been submitted. He recommends presenting on February 25th .

Dr. Lightbown stated that the Harness Horsemen's Association ("HHA") would like to update the Commission on their pension plan, possibly at the February 25th meeting.

10:33 a.m. *Having no further business, Commissioner Zuniga made a motion to adjourn.*

Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner Cameron: Aye.

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Zuniga: Aye.

Chair Judd-Stein: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, "Notice of Meeting and Agenda" dated January 20, 2021
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, agenda planning notes dated January 20, 2021
3. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, minutes of the January 6, 2021 agenda setting meeting

/s/ Eileen O'Brien

Secretary