



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: October 23, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission

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The Commission conducted this public meeting remotely utilizing collaboration technology. The use of this technology was intended to ensure an adequate, alternative means of public access to the Commission's deliberations for any interested member of the public.

Commissioners Present:

Chair Jordan Maynard
Commissioner Eileen O'Brien
Commissioner Bradford Hill
Commissioner Paul Brodeur

1. [Call to Order](#) (00:02)

Chair Maynard called to order the 570th Public Meeting of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission ("Commission"). Roll call attendance was conducted, and four Commissioners were present for the meeting.

2. [Meeting Minutes](#) (00:32)

The public meeting minutes for April 30, 2024, June 6, 2024, September 25, 2025, and September 30, 2025 are included in the Commissioners' Packet on pages 3 through 38.

Commissioner Brodeur moved that the Commission approve the minutes for the following two public meetings: April 30, 2024 and June 6, 2024, both of which are included in the Commissioners' Packet, subject to any necessary corrections for typographical errors, or any other non-material matters. Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Brodeur: Abstain.
Chair Maynard: Aye.
The motion passed, 3-0 with one abstention.

Commissioner Brodeur moved that the Commission approve the minutes from the following two public meetings: September 25, 2025 and September 30, 2025, that are included in the Commissioners' Packet, subject to any necessary corrections for typographical errors, or any other non-material matters. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:
Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.
Commissioner Hill: Aye.
Commissioner Brodeur: Aye.
Chair Maynard: Aye.
The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

3. [Administrative Update](#) (02:13)
 - a. [Award for social and economic research](#) (02:21)

Executive Director Dean Serpa provided a brief overview of the recently awarded contract to carry out social and economic research. Director of Research and Responsible Gaming Mark Vander Linden provided a detailed update on the finalized multi-year and multi-study contract for social and economic research with the Boston University's School of Public Health.

Director Vander Linden briefly introduced three planned economic studies, which included the following: surveillance of economic outcomes related to casino and sports wagering, an assessment of casino-related impacts on county and municipal level expenditures and revenue, and an examination of the association between sports wagering and financial and social well-being. He further introduced three future social research projects, including the following: a statewide representative survey to assess gambling attitudes and behaviors and how they will change over time, a large scale survey of Massachusetts college and university students, and a study measuring gambling advertising exposure and assessment of its effects on problem gambling behavior. He provided an overview of the research staff that will be involved on the project.

4. [Research and Responsible Gaming](#) (08:49)
 - a. [GameSense Quarterly Report](#) (09:28)

Massachusetts Council on Gaming and Health's ("MACGH") Chief Operating Officer Michael Tuplin, MACGH's Director of Player Health Amy Gabriela, Director of GameSense Operations Ray Fluette, and MACGH's Director of Recovery Services Jodie Nealley presented the GameSense Fiscal Year 2026 Quarter 1 Quarterly Report with topics including the following: Funders, Quarter 1 Data, Training Programs, and Award Winners. *The presentation is found on pages 40 through 58 of the Commissioners' Packet.*

5. [Legal](#) (47:22)

- a. [205 CMR 234.09: Term of Sports Wagering Vendor License or Registration; Renewal – Discussion and Review of Regulation Amendment and Small Business Impact Statement for authorization for emergency enactment and to begin the promulgation process by Commission](#) (47:30)

Associate General Counsel Melanie Foxx introduced a proposed regulation amendment to 205 CMR 234.09 to extend the term of a sports wagering vendor license from three to five years. *A memorandum, draft of 205 CMR 234.09, and Small Business Impact Statement are found on pages 59 through 62 of the Commissioners' Packet.*

Commissioner Hill asked why there was a request for a vote for an emergency enactment. Associate General Counsel Foxx stated that the current licenses were set to expire in December 2025, and the regular promulgation process would finalize in January 2025. She explained that the emergency enactment would allow for efficiency and continuity in regard to the licenses.

Chair Maynard stated that this amendment would allow for a robust investigatory process which was consistent with the actions previously taken by the Commission.

Commissioner Hill moved that the Commission approve the Small Business Impact Statement and draft of 205 CMR 234.09 as included in the Commissioners' Packet and discussed here today; and that the staff be authorized to take the steps necessary to file the required documentation with the Secretary of the Commonwealth by emergency and thereafter begin the regulation promulgation process. He further moved that the staff be authorized to modify chapter or section numbers or titles to file additional regulation sections as reserved or to make any other administrative changes as necessary to execute the regulation promulgation process.

Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Brodeur: Aye.

Chair Maynard: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

6. [Commissioner Updates](#) (51:50)

Commissioner Brodeur noted that he attended a briefing at Medford City Hall on the work completed by the Medford Health Department to examine the topic of young adult gaming. Commissioner Hill further commended the initiative.

7. [Other Business](#) (56:30)

Hearing no other business, Chair Maynard requested a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Brodeur moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hill.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Brodeur: Aye.

Chair Maynard: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. [Notice of Meeting and Agenda](#) dated October 21, 2025.
2. [Commissioners' Packet](#) from the October 23, 2025, meeting (posted on massgaming.com)