

**OHIO CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

**10 A.M. –September 7, 2011  
RIFFE CENTER, 77 SOUTH HIGH STREET  
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COLUMBUS, OH 43215**

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Chair Jo Ann Davidson. Commissioners McKinley Brown, Martin Hoke, Peter Silverman, Ranjan Manoranjan, John Steinhauer and June Taylor were in attendance. The minutes of the August 17, 2011 meeting were approved.

Susan Choe of the Ohio Attorney General's office reviewed a redraft of the Code of Conduct dated 9-2-11. She indicated that Paul Nick, Executive Director of the Ohio Ethics Commission, and Tony Bledsoe, Executive Director of the Joint Legislative Ethic Committee, have reviewed the document. The ex parte provision is limited to adjudication issues. Sections regarding "excessive fraternization" and honoraria were also clarified. Resolution 2011-15 approving the rule was adopted following a motion by Commissioner Hoke, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and passed.

Ameet Patel, General Manager of Hollywood Casino in Columbus, provided a progress report indicating that almost \$25 million construction has been completed to date. The foundations for the casino and garage are complete. Although there are only two full time employees at this time, Mr. Patel plans to have his senior leadership team in place by early 2012. The project is currently on target for the opening date. Meetings with community leaders are underway.

Richard St. Jean, General Manager of the Hollywood Casino in Toledo, also provided an update after being on the job over 90 days. Over \$70 million of a total \$128 million contract has been completed to date. Access roadwork from I-75 is underway. The Executive staff is in place and they will be working in conjunction with Owens Community College to train those hired. The goal is to hire 90 percent of the team members from the greater Toledo area.

H. Theodore Grove, from Legal and Law Enforcement Services at Spectrum Gaming Group, presented an overview of their Law Enforcement Report showing the most effective law enforcement model and making recommendations on how to decide which agency or agencies should provide services in Ohio. The report also provided an overview of gaming crimes and their recommendation that a Criminal Justice Coordinator position be created within the Ohio Casino Control Commission.

Chair Davidson indicated that the September 21 meeting would include presentations from representatives of the Bureau of Criminal Identification and the Ohio Department of Public Safety, as well as a review of the report on Blueprints of the Toledo and Cleveland Casinos.

Sam Kirk of the Ohio Attorney General's office reviewed the Surveillance Standards dated 9-2-11. He said that the standards have been reviewed by Rock Ohio Caesars, Penn National and Spectrum Gaming Group. Several issues were discussed, especially with respect to requests for surveillance records and whether or not a subpoena would be required. When Commission Steinhauer asked if technology regarding facial recognition had been considered, Chair Davidson suggested that standards can be amended when this technology is more fully developed. Resolution 2011-9 approving the rule was adopted following a motion from Commissioner Steinhauer, seconded by Commissioner Brown and passed.

Fred Gushin, Managing Director and Steven Ingis, Director of Legal and Regulatory Services of Spectrum Gaming Group provided an overview of the Scope of Licensing brief for Penn National. They

reviewed the decision the Commission needed to make regarding certain filers. Institutional investors and holding companies were discussed as well as the intent of the General Assembly with the Ohio Revised Code section regarding this issue. The following motions regarding the report were made: 1) Commissioner Hoke moved that Spectrum's policies regarding Scope of Licensing be adopted. Commissioner Steinhauer seconded the motion and it passed. 2) Commissioner Steinhauer moved that Spectrum's recommendations on trusts be adopted. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion and it passed. 3) Commissioner Hoke moved that action on Centerbridge Capital Partners and Fortress Investment Group be delayed and representatives of both entities present information in writing prior to September 15<sup>th</sup> for consideration at the September 21 meeting. Commissioner Manoranjan seconded the motion and it passed. 4) Commissioner Steinhauer moved that Spectrum's recommendations that Steven Snyder and Thomas Burke be added as natural persons filers be accepted. Commissioner Silverman seconded the motion and it passed.

Fred Gushin and Steven Ingis also provided an overview of the Scope of Licensing for Rock Ohio Caesars. The following motions regarding the report were made: 1) Commissioner Hoke moved that a brief be submitted by September 15 regarding Global PPG for consideration at the September 21 meeting. Commissioner Steinhauer seconded the motion and it passed. 2) Commissioner Silverman moved that six individuals be added to Exhibit A – Lakes Entertainment, Inc.: Lyle Berman, Chairman of the Board and CEO; Timothy Cope, President, CFO and Director; Ray Moberg, Director; Neil Sell, Director; Larry Barenbaum, Director; Richard White, Director. Commissioner Hoke seconded the motion and it passed.

John Williams, Attorney with the Ohio Casino Commission, reviewed the second draft of the Third Party Accounting and Engineering Rule dated 9-24-11. He indicated the changes discussed at the last meeting. Additional changes will be made for further review by the Commission at the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

Commissioner Silverman reported that the Ohio Lottery Commission is contributing \$10,000 to expand the statewide survey on gambling and substance abuse by the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services (ODADAS). Commissioner Steinhauer moved that Commissioners Silverman and Hoke are authorized by the Commission to get additional information from ODADAS to clarify that they are satisfied with issues to be reviewed in the survey and have the authorization of the Commission to agree to \$10,000 from the Ohio Casino Control Commission for a study this fall. Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Chair Davidson reported that the Debt Transaction Report filing has been made by Rock Ohio Caesars and is available for review in the Commission office. Rock Ohio Caesars is scheduled to make a presentation on the transaction at the September 21 meeting.

Sam Kirk of the Ohio Attorney General's office reviewed the Gaming Employee License Rule dated 9-7-11. Changes include listing the employee's function instead of their title. The rule specifies who will pay for the license in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code. It was pointed out that acquiring a license is an asset to the employee and the finger printing and background check will be required of those seeking a license. Resolution 2011-13 approving the rule on the gaming employee license was adopted following a motion by Commissioner Steinhauer, seconded by Commissioner Hoke and approved.

The Commission members went into Executive Session at 4:00 p.m., reconvened at 5:45 p.m. and then adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.