California Gambling Control Commission

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MINUTES OF AUGUST 27, 2015 COMMISSION MEETING

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Evans called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners.

Roll Call of Commissioners was taken, with Chairman Jim Evans, Commissioners Lauren Hammond and Richard Schuetz present. Commissioner Tiffany Conklin was not present at this meeting.

Before there was a motion for Item 3, Commissioner Hammond had a correction for GCA Hearing Minutes August 3, 2015, Item 3. The agenda item was corrected after the meeting and is available on the Commission's website.

- 3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for:
 - A. July 30, 2015
 - B. August 3, 2015 GCA Hearing
 - C. August 4, 2015 GCA Hearing

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Schuetz and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission approved the minutes for the July 30, 2015, Commission Meeting, August 3, 2015, GCA Hearing (as corrected) and August 4, 2015, GCA Hearing.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 4, 5.A., and 5.C. were considered together.

4. Application for Consideration of Initial State Gambling License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19850, 19851, and 19852; CCR, Title 4 section 12342):

Diamond Jim's Casino: Wizard Gaming, Inc.

Zephyr Inter Vivos Trust, Shareholder

George Hardie Jr., Trustee

5. Consideration of A) and B) Transfers of Shares; and, C) and D) Applications for Initial State Gambling License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19904; 19850, 19851, 19852 and CCR, Title 4 section 12342):

A. Diamond Jim's Casino: Wizard Gaming, Inc.

Zephyr Inter Vivos Trust (Transferor) George Hardie Jr. (Transferee)

C. Diamond Jim's Casino: Wizard Gaming, Inc.

George Hardie Jr., Shareholder

Comments Received From:

George Hardie Jr., via telephone Elijah Zuniga, Designated Agent John Maloney, Designated Agent Stacey Luna-Bayter, Assistant Bureau

Stacey Luna-Baxter, Assistant Bureau Chief, Bureau of Gambling Control

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Chairman Evans and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission approved Item 4, Application for Initial State Gambling License through March 31, 2017, Item 5.A., approved the Transfer of Shares. And 5.C, Applications for Initial State Gambling License was approved with an added condition noted below:

Any agreement between Wizard Gaming, Inc. and George Hardie Sr. must be put into writing, reviewed by the Bureau of Gambling Control, and approved by the California Gambling Control Commission.

By concurrence of the Commissioners, Items 5.B. and 5.D. were considered together.

Comments Received From:

Joy Harn, Designated Agent, via telephone

B. Ocean's Eleven Casino: Ocean's 11 Casino, Inc.

William Friis (Transferor)

The William R. Friis Gaming Trust

(Transferee)

D. Ocean's Eleven Casino: Ocean's 11 Casino, Inc.

The William R. Friis Gaming Trust, Shareholder William Friis, Trustor, Trustee, Beneficiary

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Schuetz and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission approved 5.B, Transfer of Shares. with conditions noted below. 5.D., Application for Initial State Gambling license was also approved through February 28, 2017

- 1. Within 30 days of Commission approval, William Friis shall provide to the Commission and to the Bureau copies of the stock certificates evidencing the shares transferred to the transferees including the following legend:
 - THIS CERTIFICATE REPRESENTS SHARES OF STOCK ISSUED BY A CORPORATION THAT HOLDS A GAMBLING LICENSE PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THE STOCK MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED, ASSIGNED, SOLD, PLEDGED, HYPOTHECATED, OR DISPOSED OF WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION OR ITS SUCCESSOR.
- 2. Within 30 days of Commission approval, William Friis shall provide to the Commission and to the Bureau written confirmation that no material change was made to the transaction and that the transaction was substantially the same as approved by the Commission.
- 6. Application for Consideration of Initial Portable Personal Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854; CCR Title 4, section 12350):

Roger Quillen

Comments Received From:

Roger Quillen, via telephone

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Schuetz and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission approved the Application for Initial Key Employee License through October 31, 2015, with the condition noted below:

Within 60 days of Commission approval, the applicant must provide to the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of a payment plan or payments made to the Stanislaus County Recorder's Office.

7. Application for Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

Pit River Casino – Pit River Tribe:

Tony Wilson Jr.

Comments Received From:

Stacey Luna-Baxter, Assistant Bureau Chief, Bureau of Gambling Control

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Schuetz, seconded by Chairman Evans and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission approved a 150-day Temporary Finding of Suitability through January 24, 2016, with conditions noted below:

- 1. Mr. Wilson must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control with proof that he has established payment arrangements for his tax lien with the Franchise Tax Board within 90 days of approval.
- 2. Beginning December 1, 2015 and every 180 days thereafter, Mr. Wilson must provide the Bureau of Gambling Control proof of monthly payments toward his tax lien.
- 3. Mr. Wilson must provide the California Gambling Control Commission and Bureau of Gambling Control documentation showing his child support is in good standing.
- 8. Graton Mitigation Fund Final Report for Distribution to County of Sonoma and City of Rohnert Park – Quarter Ending June 30, 2015 (Pursuant to Government Code section 12012.56 & Compact section 4.5.1): Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Schuetz and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission approved the Distribution Payments for the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

9. Consideration to Withdraw Application for State Gambling License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19869; CCR Title 4 section 12015): Diamond Jim's Casino: Wizard Gaming, Inc.

Zephyr Inter Vivos Trust, Shareholder

Kyle Kirkland, Trustee

10. Application for Consideration of Initial Portable Personal Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854; CCR Title 4, section 12350):

Paul Wagner

11. <u>Applications for Consideration of Renewal Portable Personal Key Employee License</u> (<u>Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854; CCR Title 4, section 12351</u>):

A. Jordan Conner

B. Ryan Wolf

12. <u>Applications for Consideration of Initial Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR Title 4, section 12104):</u>

A. Napa Valley Casino: Pernell Felix Kristopher Galley

Alexander Torrecampo

B. Parkwest Casino Sonoma: Chamnang Chhum Kevin Phong

C. The Deuces Lounge & Casino: San Saelee

13. <u>Applications for Consideration of Renewal Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912; CCR Title 4, section 12104):</u>

A. Empire Sportsmen's Association: Merryarna Choeun Chhan Ran

B. Outlaws Card Parlour: Gloria Boyles

14. <u>Applications for Consideration of Conversion of Third-Party Providers of Proposition Player Services Player Registrations to Licenses (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12218):</u>

Arian J. C.

Arise, LLC:

Players: George Stalis Marany Tea

15. <u>Application for Consideration of Renewal of Third Party Providers of Proposition</u>
<u>Player Services Supervisor License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code</u>
section 19984; CCR, Title 4, section 12218.8):

PT Gaming, LLC:

Supervisor: Jose Hidalgo

- 16. <u>Applications for Consideration of Initial Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):</u>
 - A. Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:

Kevin Clark Cassandra Diaz Julio Figueroa

B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:

Luis Martinez-Martinez

C. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians:

Jasmine Blades Veronica Carrillo

D. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation:

Maria Perez Ibarra

E. Casino Pauma - Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma & Yuima Reservation:

Eric Rivas

F. Chumash Casino Resort - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation:

Brian Hatter

G.Elk Valley Casino - Elk Valley Rancheria:

James Forrest

H. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino - Cabazon Band of Mission Indians: Larry Dennis Jr.

I. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria:

Frik Smith

J. Jackson Rancheria Casino & Hotel - Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians: Lawrence Wallage

K. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians:James Brennan Chris Deremo Jeffery Martin

Maximo Mata

L. Pala Casino Spa Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation:

Matthew Pedersen Jennifer Silva

M. Pechanga Resort & Casino - Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation:

Nolan Capelle

N. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria:

Linda Chen

- O. San Manuel Indian Bingo and Casino San Manuel Band of Mission Indians:

 Monica Humildad
- P. Sho-Ka-Wah Casino Hopland Band of Pomo Indians:

Nicolas Carrillo

Q. Spotlight 29 Casino - Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians:
Maria Garcia

R. Table Mountain Casino - Table Mountain Rancheria:

Michael Bounleuang

S. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community:

Allen Enquist Alejandra Gomez Bianca Munoz

T. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria:

Abraham Carranza Iqbal Kang

U. Twin Pine Casino & Hotel - Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians: Jaime Chavez

V. Viejas Casino and Resort - Viejas Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Viejas Reservation:

Johanna Castro Mendoza Mario Otero

- 17. <u>Applications for Consideration of Renewal Tribal-State Compact Key Employee</u>
 <u>Finding of Suitability (Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4)</u>
 - A. Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:

Minnie Agbayani Gary McCool

B. Augustine Casino - Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians:

Heron Garcia Alma Hernandez Humberto Murillo Richard Olalia Laurie Paluszczak Philip Pleming

C. Barona Resort and Casino - Barona Group of Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians: Rafael Alvarez Sofia Calderon Linda Jordan Jeffrey Sealey Rene Rios D. Black Oak Casino - Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria: Nadiia Lysiak David Miller E. Cache Creek Casino Resort - Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation: Joey Bertzyk Lea Gray Doug Kelly Jeffery Little Cheryl Richeal F. Colusa Casino Resort - Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria: Luis Orozco Juanita Solis G. Eagle Mountain Casino - Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation: Tyson Gibson Ricardo Prieto Jr. Nick Young H. Graton Resort & Casino - Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria: Ruben Angel-Sepulveda Savin Chhoy Aftab Chowdhury Jose Flores Sandoval Jonathan Friedman Rai Giri Luyan Guo Lisa Henderson Wayne James Tien Luong Jaekoo Jun Xai Lor Diego Maca Farm Saelor Jazmin Murillo Fue Thao Anita Turner Javon Williams Mong Yang I. Morongo Casino Resort and Spa - Morongo Band of Mission Indians: Lee Hang J. Pala Casino Spa Resort - Pala Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pala Reservation: Rogelio Acosta-Gonzalez Linda Aranda Japp Chan Darien Luu Robert Homeyer Valerie Hunt Hoa Nguyen K. Red Hawk Casino - Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria: Thai Her Mongkhon Thienpheth Vera Wijangco L. Running Creek Casino - Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake: **Ashley Watkins** Stacy Selvey M. Sycuan Casino and Resort - Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation: Linda Badal Mitchell Carter Alden Harris Jr. Steve Ma Bravo Palander Sammy Rios Soyla Ruiz N. Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino - Santa Rosa Indian Community: Willie Barrios Lee Bustamante Larry Norton lan Spencer O. Thunder Valley Casino Resort - United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria: Ruben Aranda Ivan Au Allan Charles

Nicholas Rodgers

Kyle Fisher

Lin Voong

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Schuetz, seconded by Commissioner Hammond and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission approved Consent Calendar items 9 through 17, and removed the condition noted below for Item 11B, Ryan Wolf.

Condition to be Removed:

Within 60-days of Commission approval, Mr. Wolf must submit to the Bureau of Gambling Control documentation that he has paid or entered into a payment plan to pay his outstanding debts with the Internal Revenue Service.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Reverend James Butler

CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE:

Prior to holding Closed Session, Chief Counsel disclosed that Closed Session items II. A, B, C, and D would be addressed in Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION: 10:46 A.M.

- I. <u>Litigation: (Government Code section 11126(e)):</u>
 - A. Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians v. Gambling Control Commission; and Arnold Schwarzenegger, U.S. Dist Court S. D. California (09 CV01955 LAB AJB)
 - B. San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians v. State of California, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court (BC431469)
 - C. Bingo Innovations of California, Inc. v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2012-80001139)
 - D. Robert Saucier, et al. v. California Gambling Control Commission, Sacramento County Superior Court (34-2013-80001594)
 - E. Stand Up For California, et al. v. State of California, et al., Madera County Superior Court (MCV062850)
 - F. California Valley Miwok Tribe v. California Gambling Control Commission et al.; US District Court, Southern District California (15 CV 0622 AJB JLB)
- II. Hearing Deliberations Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(3):
 - A. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Work Permit for Christopher Tuck, (CGCC-2014-1120-7C)
 - B. In the Matter of the Application for Renewal of Work Permit for Curt Mieczkowski, (CGCC-2014-1023-10)
 - C. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Work Permit for Francisco Monares, (CGCC-2013-1010-8A)
 - D. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Key Employee Portable Personal License for Ruben Moreno, (CGCC-2014-0422-7B)
 - E. In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Renewal of Third-Party Provider of Proposition Players Services Player License for Miguel Aguilar, (CGCC-2013-0725-12)

- F. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Initial Key Employee Portable Personal License for Angelo Lamont Bridges, Sr., (CGCC-2013-1121-6A)
- G. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Mary Mati, (CGCC-2013-1212-13E)
- H. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Initial Work Permit for Thyda Nop, (GCADS-GEWP-002140)
- I. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Initial Work Permit for Jared Watson, (CGCC-2014-1120-7B)
- III. Personnel Matters (Government Code section 11126(a)(1): Business and Professions Code section 19816(a))

RECESS: 10:46 A.M.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: 1:35 P.M.

- 1. <u>Hearings Pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 19870 and 19871 and CCR, Title 4, section 12060:</u>
 - A. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Tribal Key Employee Finding of Suitability for Gary Lee Robinson, (GCADS-TRKE-015150)
 - B. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Initial Work Permit for Mark Gill, (GCADS-GEWP-001924)
 - C. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Initial Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Dominica Ortiz, (GCADS-TPPL-014032)

Action:

Upon motion of Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Schuetz and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Evans, Commissioners Hammond, and Schuetz voting yes; the Commission denied the applications for a failure of the applicants to demonstrate why a permit or license should be issued.

The Commissioners signed the prepared Default Order and Decision and fixed an effective date of September 28, 2015.

CLOSED SESSION: None.

- I. <u>Hearing Deliberations Pursuant to Government Code section 11126(c)(3):</u>
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 C. Default Decision and Order In the Matter of the Application for Approval of Initial Third-Party Proposition Player Services License for Dominica Ortiz, (GCADS-TPPL-014032)

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Evans adjourned the Commission Meeting at 1:38 P.M.