

INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION BUSINESS MEETING

November 17, 2021
Indiana Conference Center Auditorium & Live Stream
Indianapolis, Indiana

Call to Order and Roll Call:

Commissioner Marc Fine called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. local time. A quorum was present.

Present:

Commission members: Michael McMains (telephonically), Marc Fine, Susan Williams, Jason Dudich, Chuck Cohen, Daniel Housman, and Darren Root. Commission staff: Greg Small, Jenny Reske, Dennis Mullen, Robert Paugh, Robert Townsend, Dan Hirst, Brad McQuitty, Danielle Leek, Dustin Moloy, Alex Dudley, Tony Calvert, Sara Martin, Angela Bunton, Garth Brown, Savannah Boettcher, William Quist, Tiffany Corbin, and members of the public.

Approval of the Minutes:

Upon motion by Susan Williams, second by Jason Dudich, and unanimous vote of those present, the Commission approved the proposed minutes from the November 15, 2021, Business Meeting.

Administering Oath to Presenters: Executive Director Greg Small administered an oath to all presenting at the commission meeting.

Report of the Executive Director:

Executive Director Small began his report by introducing new Commissioner Darren Root. Mr. Root was appointed to the Commission in October 2021. Commissioner Root resides in Bloomington, Indiana. Mr. Root is a certified public accountant, the founder of Root Works, an author and a podcaster. Commissioner Root holds a B.S. in accounting from Indiana University, is a corporate director of German American Bank and a member of the Dean's Advisory Council at Indiana University's Luddy School of Informatics, Computing and Engineering. There have been three promotions since the last meeting: Sara Martin, from License Control Counsel to Director of Sports Wagering and Paid Fantasy Sports; Manuel Becker from Enforcement Investigator to Investigator for the Gaming Integrity Division, and Mike Caplinger from Enforcement Agent to South Zone Enforcement Investigator.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Application for a Casino Owner's License Pursuant to I.C. § 4-33-6.7-1:

Presentation:

Presentation was given to the Commission by Drew Klacik of the Indiana University Public Policy Institute followed by a Question & Answer session.

Presentation was given to the Commission by Dan Lee, Lewis Fanger, Alex Stolyar, Elaine Guidroz, Cliff Kortman, Angie Truebner-Webb, and Teddy Swigert on behalf of FHR – Atlas LLC (Full House Resorts, Inc.) followed by a Question & Answer session.

Presentation was given to the Commission by Jon Lucas, John Eder, Ilkim Hincer, Tracy Bradford, Stephanie Piimauna, Joe Emanuelle and Trent Call on behalf of HR Terre Haute, LLC (Hard Rock) followed by a Question & Answer session.

Presentation was given to the Commission by Kevin Preston, Mark Schwartz, John Stewart and Troy Stemming on behalf of Terre Haute Entertainment, LLC (Premiere Gaming Group and Terre Haute Entertainment Holdings, LLC) followed by a Question & Answer session.

Presentation was given to the Commission by Bill Carstanien, Austin Miller, Tonya Abeln, Jason Sauer, Phil Kenney and William Harmon on behalf of CDITH, LLC (Churchhill Downs) followed by a Question & Answer.

Selection of Finalists:

Action: Executive Director Greg Small directed each Commissioner to vote for their top two applicants. The vote went as followed:

- Mike McMains – Full House & Hard Rock
- Marc Fine – Full House & Churchhill Downs
- Jason Dudich – Hard Rock & Churchhill Downs
- Susan Williams – Churchhill Downs & Full House
- Chuck Cohen – Full House and Churchhill Downs
- Daniel Housman – Full House & Churchhill Downs
- Darren Root – Churchhill Downs & Full House

Finalist Closing Comments:

A final presentation was given to the Commission by FHR – Atlas LLC (Full House Resorts, Inc.).

A final presentation was given to the Commission by CDITH, LLC (Churchhill Downs).

Executive Session:

Commissioners and Executive staff broke for an Executive Session at 5:35 p.m. and returned at 6:14 p.m.

Selection:

General Counsel Dennis Mullen explained the Certificate of Suitability for each applicant pursuant to 68 Ind. Admin Code 2-1-5.

Action: Chairman McMains motioned for FHR – Atlas LLC (Full House Resorts, Inc.) to be granted a Casino Owner’s License. Executive Director Small asked each Commissioner their vote as to granting Full House Resorts the license. The vote went as follows:

- Mike McMains – Yes
- Marc Fine – Yes
- Jason Dudich – No
- Susan Williams – No
- Chuck Cohen – No
- Daniel Houseman – No
- Darren Root – No

Executive Director Small announced motion failed.

Action: Commissioner Susan Williams motioned for CDITH, LLC (Churchhill Downs) to be granted the license second by Jason Dudich. Executive Director Small asked each Commissioner their vote as to granting Churchhill Downs the license. The vote went as follows:

- Mike McMains – Yes
- Marc Fine – Yes
- Jason Dudich – Yes
- Susan Williams – Yes
- Chuck Cohen – Yes
- Daniel Housman – Yes
- Darren Root – Yes

Motion carries 7-0.

Commissioner Marc Fine congratulated Churchhill Downs.

**ORDER 2021-196
AN ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION CONCERNING THE
APPLICATION OF CDITH, LLC FOR A CASINO OWNER’S LICENSE
PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE § 4-33-6.7-1**

