

# INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION BUSINESS MEETING

December 23, 2020  
Virtual via Microsoft Teams Live Stream  
Indianapolis, Indiana

## **Call to Order and Roll Call:**

Chairman Michael B. McMains called the meeting to order at 12:39 p.m. local time. A quorum was present.

## **Present:**

Commission members: Michael McMains, Chairman, Marc Fine, Susan Williams, Jason Dudich and Chuck Cohen. Commission staff: Sara Tait, Jenny Reske, Greg Small, Robert Paugh, Garth Brown, Josie Conrad and members of the public.

## **Approval of the Minutes:**

Upon motion by Marc Fine, second by Susan Williams, and unanimous vote of those present, the Commission approved the proposed minutes from the November 23, 2020 Business Meeting.

## **Report of the Executive Director:**

Executive Director Tait began her report by providing an update from the November 23, 2020 meeting. Commissioner Fine asked staff to reach out to Majestic Star's trustee in waiting. In accordance with the request, staff has conducted ongoing communications with Tom Dingman, who is prepared to undertake the responsibilities of his roll at any time. Staff engaged in communications with both Spectacle and Hard Rock. The efforts of the parties to date have not produced satisfactory results. Agreements were received in the last 20 hours but have not made proposals that would provide a remedy to the uncertainties surrounding the Gary project. Ms. Tait reported that issues of concern continue to emerge, and these issues require further investigation, which has created a delay with the casino project. With all the uncertainties surrounding the license, staff has focused on maintaining the operations of the current profitable casino.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

**Public Comment:**

Steve Grimes, Paul Harold, and Dan Webb were present to provide public comment on behalf of Mr. Rod Ratcliff. The Commission asked several questions and was answered by the respective party present. Full comments can be found in the transcript of the December 23, 2020 business meeting on the IGC website.

**Casino License Matters:**

**EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-MS-03  
INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION EMERGENCY ORDER**

**Action:** Upon motion by Marc Fine, second by Jason Dudich, and unanimous vote of those present, the Commission adopted Emergency Order 2020-MS-03 and immediately suspended the gaming license for Roderick Ratcliff.

**ORDER 2020-168  
AN ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION REGARDING AN  
EQUITY INTEREST IN A CASINO OWNER'S LICENSE**

**Action:** Upon motion by Jason Dudich, second by Susan Williams, and unanimous vote of those present, the Commission adopted Order 2020-168 and: ordered Spectacle and Mr. Ratcliff, , to remove Mr. Ratcliff individually and/or as trustee of his trust by January 8, 2021; ordered Spectacle and Mr. Ratcliff to immediately advise the Commission of notice of Mr. Ratcliff's revocation of the Roderick J. Ratcliff Trust; ordered Spectacle to ensure Mr. Ratcliff ceases to exercise any responsibilities or duties on behalf of the company; and delegated authority to the Executive Director to approve or disapprove of the new trustee.

**ORDER 2020-169  
AN ORDER OF THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION REGARDING THE  
DISASSOCIATION OF AN EQUITY INTEREST IN A CASINO OWNER'S  
LICENSE**

**Action:** Upon motion by Marc Fine, second by Chuck Cohen, and unanimous vote of those present, the Commission adopted Order 2020-169 and ordered Spectacle and Mr. Keeler to disassociate by January 15, 2021, which included a disposition of all Mr. Keeler's units and interests in Spectacle and any affiliated entities and delegated authority to the Executive director to approve or disapprove of Spectacle's proposed method to accomplish and implement the terms of Order 2020-169.

**Meeting Adjournment:**

The next meeting of the Indiana Gaming Commission is to be determined. Upon motion by Jason Dudich, second by Marc Fine, and a unanimous vote of those present, the meeting was adjourned at 2:19 p.m. local time.

Respectfully submitted,



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Josie Conrad

THE INDIANA GAMING COMMISSION:



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Michael B. McMains, Chairman Date



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Jason Dudich, Secretary Date