

## LTBB GAMING REGULATORY COMMISSION

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### Minutes October 12, 2004

**Regular Session:** Yes  
**Call to Order:** 5:45 p.m.  
**Commissioners Present:** Beverly Wemigwase, Chairperson  
Tim LaCroix, Vice Chairperson  
Julie Shananaquet, Secretary/Treasurer  
**Commissioners Absent:**  
**Staff Present:** Steve Rankens-Interim Director, Andrea Cowles-Sr. Background Investigator, Tom Gould-Surveillance Manager  
**Guests:**

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**Agenda Item 3:(Agenda)** *Additions: Old Business: 1)Status of Investigations ; 2)Drug Testing Policy New Business: 1)Law suits; 2)Vendor Licenses ; 3)Suspensions; 4) Executive Session, 5) Change order of Reports by Staff*

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Wemigwase to approve agenda as presented amended.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 4: (Minutes)**

Motion made by Commissioner Wemigwase and supported by Commissioner Shananaquet to approve the minutes of September 14, 2004 as amended.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Commissioner Wemigwase and supported by Commissioner Shananaquet to approve the minutes of September 28, 2004 as presented.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 5: (Phone Polls)**

No phone polls conducted – No action Taken

**Agenda Item 6a: (Chairperson's Report)** *1)Attended Farewell luncheon for Vince, 2)New lawsuit,*

Motion made by Commissioner Shananaquet and supported by Commissioner LaCroix to approve the Gaming Regulatory Chairperson's verbal report of October 12, 2004 as presented by Beverly Wemigwase,

Vote: 2-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 1-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 6b: (Vice-Chairperson's Report)**

No report given. No action taken

**Agenda Item 6c: (Secretary/Treasurer's Report)** *1)No Budget Report received from Acct. Department. 2)Regulatory Commission on Tribal Council Agenda.*

**No action needed.**

**Agenda Item 7c: (Surveillance Department Report)** *1)Moved up on Agenda per request of Interim Director; 2)Asset Protection Report forwarded to Gaming Administration ; 3)MICS Violation - Addressed; 4)Cage-Denomination Problem; 5)Expansion-Good Communications occurring; 6)Additional staff after January; 7)Christmas Party/Gifts for Staff; 8)Halloween Promotion. Discussion: MICS Violation-Clearing boxes properly. Concerned as to whether or not proper training is taking place in respective departments. Cage issue will be addressed in Interim Director's report. Start posting available positions in December.*

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Wemigwase to approve the Surveillance Managers verbal and written report of October 12, 2004 as presented by Tom Gould.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 7b: (Licensing Department Report)** 1)Response letter from B.C.-government to government; 2)License Suspension *Discussion:* Chairperson will forward 'Response Letter' to James Bransky and request assistance on course of action.

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Wemigwase to approve the following Key Contractor's Gaming License(s):

License No. 1057 for American Gaming and Electronics Inc.,

License No. 1014 for MICON Gaming Corporation,

License No. (None cited) for International Gaming Technology (IGT)

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Wemigwase to approve the following (7) Key Gaming Licenses: Licenses No.s: 3923, 3930, 3924, 3784, 3861, 3893 and 3802.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Shananaquet to approve the following (4) Non-Key Gaming Licenses: Licenses No.s: 3922, 3913, 3906 and 3902.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Shananaquet to approve the Gaming Regulatory Sr. Background Investigator's verbal and written report of October 12, 2004 as presented by Andrea Cowles.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 7d: (Internal Auditor's Report)** 1)September Report for Quarterly; 2)Mystic Lake Training; 3)MICS Violation-Surveillance; 4)Storage of Gaming Machine; 5)Observation of Hard/Soft Count, Card and Dice, Cage.

*Discussion:* Dice calibration okay – concern over shipment that should have been returned to Paulsen's. Table Games Director failed to return dice shipment, dice were drilled-unnecessary expense. GM aware.

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Wemigwase to approve the Gaming Regulatory Internal Auditor's verbal and written report of October 12, 2004 as presented by Steve Rankens, Interim Director.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 7a: (Regulatory Director's Report)** 1)Director's Quarterly Report; 2)Bereavement Leave-contribution to Family; 3)Check budget for bereavement line item; 4)Request for P&P revision-Game Cash to Check Vendors; 5)Wide Area Progressives revision-accounting procedures manual, sample billing, Native American Progressive Agreement verbage; 6)Linda Durbin response to MOU; 7)Live Scan-2004 budget item; 8)Mystic Lake Training; 9)Evaluation; 10)Drug Testing Policy posted; 11)Little River Gaming Academy training-no problem with registration fee; 12)Grant research-Heidi Yapple; 13)Fraternization; 14)Travel Issues; 15)Sodak Machines; 16)Tip Lines; 17)Tribal MICS; 18)Cage Accountability & Variances

*Discussion:* Standardized wording in all contracts, has Legal responded? Waiting for approval and posting of Statute. Mystic Lake Training-Representatives from the 2 top Live Scan companies, National Tribal Gaming Commissioners and Regulators – Check into Membership. Need a representative at this training. Drug Testing-0-tolerance-2nd test issued, language to include rehab. Ethical issues/Fraternization. Speak w/CFO regarding problems with Travel and unnecessary/additional costs. Set up meeting with CFO & Tribal Administrator to address increased budget costs due to untimely reservations. Sodak –unprofessional work, wrong glass, Sodak to reimburse incorrect payment.

Motion made by Commissioner Shananaquet and supported by Commissioner LaCroix to approve the Gaming Regulatory Interim Director's verbal and written report of October 12, 2004 as presented by Steve Rankens.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

## **Executive Session**

**Regular Session: 8:40 PM**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Agenda Item 8a: Williams Wide Area Progressive Policy and Procedure**

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Shananaquet to approve the Williams Gaming Wide Area Progressive Policy and Procedure.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 8b: Tribal MICS revision - Cage**

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Wemigwase to revise the Cage Accountability Standards, 2, i.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 8c: Report on Investigation.** *Parallel information surfacing. Tribal Police in possession of documentation. Cooperative efforts between Tribal and Regulatory.*

**NEW BUSINESS/PRIORITY BUSINESS**

**Agenda Item 9a: Lawsuits (2) FYI** *Discussion: List of Native Attorneys specializing in Gaming. Conflict exists from time to time when using tribes legal counsel. Reiterate Council's statement that GRC is not an advisory commission and responsibilities and duties are more extensive.*

**No action needed, non taken.**

**Agenda Item 9b: Stipened/Mileage**

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Shananaquet to approve stipend and mileage for all commissioners to attend Gaming Administration meeting and Tribal Council meeting to be held October 16 and 17, 2004.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**Agenda Item 10**

The next Regular meeting scheduled for October 26 , 2004.

**Agenda Item 11: (Adjournment)**

Motion made by Commissioner LaCroix and supported by Commissioner Wemigwase to adjourn meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Absent, 0-Abstained

Motion Carried

**These Minutes have been read and approved as written: 01/20/05**

Julie Shananaquet  
Secretary/ Treasurer