

Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: June 26, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. EST

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission

VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-646-741-5292

MEETING ID: 111 754 4836

The Commission conducted this public meeting remotely utilizing collaboration technology. The use of this technology was intended to ensure an adequate, alternative means of public access to the Commission's deliberations for any interested member of the public.

1. Call to Order

Interim Chair Jordan Maynard called to order Agenda Setting Meeting #172 of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission ("Commission") at 10:03 AM.

Quorum was confirmed for the meeting by roll call. The following Commissioners were present for the meeting:

Interim Chair Jordan Maynard Commissioner Eileen O'Brien Commissioner Bradford R. Hill Commissioner Nakisha Skinner

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. June 12, 2024

Interim Chair Maynard stated that the minutes from the June 12, 2024, Agenda Setting meeting would be rolled over and reviewed at the next agenda setting meeting.

3. Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

The Commission discussed the anticipated agendas for the upcoming meetings scheduled and additional agenda items for subsequent meetings described in the attached agenda planning notice, as follows:

Items For Public Meeting – July 11, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

- <u>Item #1 Administrative Update</u> Executive Director Serpa confirmed that an administrative update would come forward on July 11th.
- <u>Item #2 Meeting Minutes</u> Chair Maynard confirmed that minutes would come forward for approval.
- <u>Item #3 Legislative Update</u> Commissioner Hill confirmed that this item should remain on the agenda for the July 11th meeting.
- <u>Item #4 Regulations</u> –General Counsel Todd Grossman noted that the Legal Division was not likely to present regulations at the meeting.
- <u>Item #5– Sports Wagering Variances Director of the Sports Wagering Division, Bruce Band confirmed this item; and also requested time for presentation of House Rule updates from Operators, PSI and Fanatics.</u>
- <u>Item #6 Community Affairs Division Everett Public Safety Application</u> Mary Thurlow, Senior Program Manager of the Community Affairs Division confirmed this item for July 11th.
- <u>Item #7– Review of Potential Partnership with Gam-Ban Responsible Gaming</u> Director Vander Linden requested that this item be moved to the August 1, 2024, public meeting.
- <u>Item #8 Update on National Self Exclusion Responsible Gaming</u> Director Vander Linden requested that this item remain on for presentation on July 11th.
- <u>Item #9 Debrief and Discussion of Next Steps from MGC Sponsored Conference</u> Director Vander Linden confirmed this item for discussion on July 11th.
- <u>Item #10 Promotional/Bonus Regulation (Ohio Example)</u> Deputy General Counsel Torrisi confirmed presentation of this item on July 11th.
- <u>Item #11– Succession of Officers</u> Commissioner O'Brien confirmed this item for presentation on July 11th.
- <u>Item #12– IEB Recommendation of Civil Administrative Penalty for Noncompliance</u> IEB Director Monahan confirmed two items would be ready for presentation on July 11th.
- <u>Item #13 IEB Executive Session Public Safety at Casinos</u> IEB Director Monahan confirmed an executive session for discussion of public safety initiatives at the gaming establishments in the Commonwealth at the July 11th meeting.

Items For Public Meeting – August 1, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

<u>Item #1 – Administrative Update</u> – Executive Director Serpa confirmed that an administrative update would come forward.

Item #2 – Meeting Minutes – Chair Maynard confirmed that minutes would come forward.

<u>Item #3 – Legislative Update</u> – Commissioner Hill confirmed that this item should remain on the agenda, as an update would be likely as the legislative session would be concluding on July 31, 2024.

<u>Item #4 – Regulations</u> – General Counsel Grossman noted that the Legal Division was not anticipating regulations but would provide an update as the meeting drew nearer.

<u>Item #5– Sports Wagering</u> – Director Band confirmed that this item should remain on the agenda for August 1, given the upcoming NFL season.

<u>Add-on Item – Executive Session Minutes</u> – Deputy General Counsel Torrisi requested an executive session to approve prior sets of executive session minutes.

Items For Public Meeting – August 15, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

<u>Item #1 – Administrative Update</u> – Executive Director Serpa confirmed that an administrative update would come forward.

<u>Item #2 – Meeting Minutes</u> – Chair Maynard confirmed that minutes would come forward for approval on August 15, 2024.

Item #3 – Legislative Update – Commissioner Hill tentatively confirmed this item.

Item #4 – Regulations – This item was tentatively confirmed.

Item #5- Sports Wagering - Director Band reasoned that this item should remain on the agenda

<u>Add-on Item – Community Mitigation Fund</u> – Program Manager Lily Wallace requested an agenda item to discuss policy questions pertaining to the Community Mitigation Fund, including the Commonwealth's Budget on August 15th.

<u>Add-on Item – Multi-Factorial Authentication Regulation (Ohio Example)</u> – Deputy General Counsel Torrisi requested that this item be added to the August 15th agenda.

Items For Public Meeting – August 29, 2024 – 10:00 AM EST

Item #1 – Administrative Update – This item was tentatively confirmed.

- <u>Item #2 Meeting Minutes</u> This item was tentatively confirmed.
- <u>Item #3 Legislative Update</u> This item was tentatively confirmed.
- <u>Item #4 Regulations</u> This item was tentatively confirmed.
- Item #5– Sports Wagering This item was tentatively confirmed.

Items Under Review for Future Meetings:

- <u>Item #1 Compliance Committee</u> Commissioner O'Brien requested to keep this agenda item under review.
- <u>Item #2 HCA Compliance Update (All Properties)</u> Commissioner Skinner requested that this item remain under review.
- <u>Item #3 EBH East Broadway; Process & Ultimate Action</u> This agenda item will remain under review.
- <u>Item #4 Multi-Factorial Authentication Regulation (Ohio Example)</u> Deputy General Counsel Torrisi requested that this item be added to the August 15th agenda.
- <u>Item #5 DPH Report Equity Pillars & Problem Gambling</u> Commissioner O'Brien requested that this item remain under review, as it was still in process.
- <u>Item # 6 Procurement Threshold Discussion Review</u> Commissioner Hill and CFAO Lennon requested that this item remain under review.
- <u>Item #7 Review of AI Working Group and Commissioner Participation</u> After brief discussion on this matter, Chair Maynard, Commissioner O'Brien, and Director Vander Linden agreed that this item could be brought forward on August 15th.
- <u>Item #8– Licensee Diversity Audit</u> Commissioner Skinner confirmed this item should remain under review but anticipated that a presentation would occur at a public meeting sometime in late August, as the reports were going through the finalization process.
- <u>Item #9 Discussion of Illegal Markets</u> Commissioner O'Brien noted that this discussion should also include many of the initiatives taking place at the federal level. She also recommended that this matter should go forward in conjunction with the Attorney General's Office. Consensus was reached that this item would remain under review
- <u>Item #10 Final License Seal of Approval Design</u> Chief of the Communications Division, Tom Mills confirmed that the final designs would be circulated to Commissioners shortly.

<u>Item #11 – Wager Limitation by Operator Follow Up</u> – Chair Maynard recommended setting a date for initial discussion of this item for a meeting in August. He noted that it would also be helpful to review the initial roundtable the Commissioners held on this item.

<u>Add-on Item – Recognition of the Standardbred Owners of Massachusetts</u> – Director of Licensing, Dr. Alexa Lightbown requested an agenda item for the recognition of the Standardbred Owners of Massachusetts.

4. Commissioner Updates

Commissioners had no updates to share at this meeting.

5. Other Business

Having no further business, Commissioner O'Brien moved to adjourn. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner O'Brien Aye.
Commissioner Hill Aye.
Commissioner Skinner Aye.

Interim Chair Maynard Aye.

The motion passed unanimously 4-0. Meeting adjourned.

List of Documents and Other Items Used

- 1. Notice of Meeting & Agenda, dated June 24, 2024
- 2. Agenda Setting Minutes, dated June 12, 2024

FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETING DATES:

June 27 (Public)

July 2 (Adjudicatory Hearing) July 10 (Agenda Setting)

July 11 (Public)

July 24 (Agenda Setting)

July 30 (Adjudicatory Hearing)

August 1 (Public)

August 7 (Agenda Setting)

August 8 (Adjudicatory Hearing)

August 15 (Public)

August 21 (Agenda Setting)

August 29 (Public)

September 4 (Agenda Setting)

September 12 (Public)

September 18 (Agenda Setting)

September 26 (Agenda Setting)