

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
ILLINOIS RACING BOARD
JUNE 9, 2009
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

On Tuesday, June 9, 2009, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 9:00 a.m. in room 9-040, 100 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman Joseph Sinopoli, Commissioners Dennis Bookshester, Joseph Casciato, W. Jack Chamblin, Angelo Ciambrone, William Farley, Jr., Timothy Martin, Michael Murphy, Paul Smith and Robert Winchester. Staff members Marc Laino, Shelley Kalita, Bob Lang and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

Chairman Sinopoli called the meeting to order and announced that the deadline for position papers from interested parties regarding distribution of the impact fee money is June 23, 2009.

ORGANIZATION LICENSEE REQUEST

Commissioner Smith moved to approve pari-mutuel wagering on August 5 and 6, 2009 at the Brown County Fair in Mt. Sterling, Illinois. Commissioner Winchester seconded the motion. Ed Teefey appeared on behalf of the Brown County Fair Association. The Board approved the motion by voice vote, 8-2. Commissioners Chamblin and Martin opposed the motion.

Commissioner Ciambrone moved to approve organization licenses to the Illinois Department of Agriculture for harness racing at the Illinois and DuQuoin State Fairs. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. Charlyn Fargo appeared on behalf of the Illinois Department of Agriculture and William "Duke" Johnston on behalf of Maywood Park. The Board approved the motion by voice vote, 8-2. Commissioners Chamblin and Martin opposed the motion.

Chairman Sinopoli moved to approve a request submitted by Balmoral Racing Club, Inc. for an intertrack wagering location (OTB) license at 501 North Milwaukee Avenue, Buffalo Grove, Illinois. Commissioner Casciato seconded the motion. Balmoral Park proposes to lease from Adam's Rib and Ale House, approximately 1,500 square feet for use as an off-track wagering location. Scheduled to open in mid to late July, Adam's Rib and Ale House is a two story restaurant, bar, banquet facility with an outdoor patio. Bob Bilocerkowycz appeared on behalf of InterTrack Partners and Roy Arnold appeared on behalf of Arlington Park. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

OCCUPATION LICENSEE REQUEST

Commissioner Winchester moved to approve a request submitted by Adam's Rib and Ale House for an occupation license to operate as a concessionaire at the intertrack wagering location at 301 North Milwaukee Avenue, Buffalo Grove, Illinois. Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. Adam's Rib and Ale House is a partnership consisting of two individuals, Cy Sadeghi and

Michael Arab. Bob Bilocerkowycz appeared on behalf of InterTrack Partners. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

BOARD ITEM

Commissioner Chamblin moved that the Board initiate rulemaking to adopt emergency rulemaking to create rules governing advance deposit account wagering. Commissioner Bookshester seconded the motion. On May 30, 2009, Senate Bill 1298 passed both houses of the Illinois General Assembly and was sent to the Governor for his signature. Senate Bill 1298 amends the Horse Racing Act to allow a racetrack to maintain a system whereby advance deposit wagering (ADW) may take place or to contract with another entity to carry out a system of advance deposit wagering. The Board approved the motion by a roll call vote, 9-0. Commissioner Ciambone abstained.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

Commissioner Smith moved that the Board uphold the Stewards ruling #092032 suspending the driving privileges of harness driver Nick Clegg for the remainder of 2009 for careless and reckless driving in the 5th race on March 14, 2009 at Balmoral Park. Chairman Sinopoli seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Chairman Sinopoli congratulated former State Representative Robert Molaro for his assistance with the riverboat casino impact fee case.

Commissioner Ciambone motioned for an order to show cause in the Jamie Theriot 30-day suspension. The motion failed due to the lack of a second.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Winchester moved that the Board approve the minutes of its regular meeting on May 12, 2009. Commissioner Bookshester seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:50 a.m., Commissioner Winchester motioned for adjournment and Commissioner Chamblin seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Laino
Executive Director