



Vermont Board of Liquor & Lottery

August Minutes

Record of the Meeting of the Vermont Board of Liquor & Lottery held on August 9, 2023 via web and phone.

Members Present: Martin Manahan, Chair, Ed Flanagan, Megan Cicio, Thom Lauzon

Others Present: Andrew Collier, Deputy Commissioner; Wesley Lawrence; Jacob Humbert; Skyler Genest; Katie Fleury, Program Technician; Melissa Heath, Executive Staff Assistant; Brandon King, Executive Officer of Compliance & Enforcement; Melanie Gaiotti, Tirzha Osumun Palmer, Lisa Allard, Jen Fisher, Martin Prevost, Tonia Pryce, Raifer Allen, Rich Morey, Daniell Jensen, Charles Martin, Saba Asgedom, Josh, Dawn Cash, Jake Nowry, Matthew Barrack, Michele Fischer

Meeting Start: 9:00 am.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

None

Board Actions on Consent Agenda Items:

- Approve minutes from July, 14 2023 Board Meeting and July 17 & 19 special board meetings – Moved and approved. Motion, Ed Flanagan and second Thom Lauzon, unanimous vote.
- Approve licenses issued July 1, 2023 – July 31, 2023 – Thom Lauzon motioned, second Ed Flanagan Moved and approved, unanimous vote.

Public Comment:

- Michele Fischer from SIS has interest in comments made from last months board meeting regarding horse racing and how it pertains to sports wagering in VT

Licensing:

- None

Enforcement:

- None



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- Commissioner Comments:
- Lottery sales are flat for the beginning of FY 24
- Liquor sales are down 1% this is to be expected with the flooding the past month.
- Flood update: We are continuing to work with our fellow State agencies and assisting with flood recovery.
- Annex base is completely cleaned out and working with BGS to find additional space.
- UAT testing for new megabucks roll out in September. DLL will be running a promotion every Monday in October for the new roll out.
- Introduced Tirzha as the new education team member.
- Finishing up interviews for an open investigator position.
- Patrick Ross took a position at DMV. We are sad to see him leave but excited for his new opportunity.
- Londonderry 802 spirits store trying to open soon. Montpelier and Johnson we are still not sure when they are opening yet.

Other Business: none

Meeting Adjourned: 9:07

Next Meeting: September 13, 2023