

AGENDA

NORTH DAKOTA RACING COMMISSION
Live and Telephone Emergency Meeting
500 North 9th Street, Bismarck, ND
Monday, June 27, 2005
1:30 p.m. central time

1. Clarify action taken on the employment of Director of Racing
2. Assign duties to certain individuals in absence of a Director
3. Adjournment

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PRESENT:

Chairman James Boehm, Commissioners Jim Clement, Clarence Frederick, Legal Counsel Bill Peterson and Administrative Officer, Helen Tessmann. By phone: Commissioners James Arthaud, Clarence Frederick, and DeAnn Pladson.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jim Tilton	Rep. Merle Boucher
Les Schmidt	Roy Gilbreath
Leon Glasser	Lance Hogen
Janell Cole	Scott A. Horst
Dave Thompson	Nancy Bayer
Tom Rafferty	Mona Hurt
Michael George	Dave Wisdom
Donnell Presley	John Bubel
Doug Plummer	Roger Thompson
Rep. Rod Froelich	Richard Nevins
Tom Dickson	

Chairman Boehm called the meeting to order and asked the Administrative Officer to call the roll:

Commissioner Arthaud	-	Here (By Phone)
Commissioner Clement	-	Here
Commissioner Frederick	-	Here (By Phone)
Commissioner Pladson	-	Here (By Phone)
Chairman Boehm	-	Here

Chairman Boehm presented the agenda to the commission and asked for a motion to approve the agenda. **Commissioner Arthaud made the motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Pladson seconded the motion.** Chairman Boehm asked for all in favor of the motion to say aye. Commissioners Arthaud, Clement, Pladson and Boehm all voted aye. Commissioner Frederick not present.

Chairman Boehm asked to limit discussion of any agenda item to 15 minutes and asked for a motion. **Commissioner Arthaud made the motion to limit discussion on any agenda item to fifteen minutes. Commission Pladson seconded the motion.** Commissioners Arthaud, Pladson and Boehm voted aye. Commissioner Clement voted no. Commissioner Frederick was absent.

AGENDA ITEM #1

1. Clarify action taken on the employment of Director of Racing

Commissioner Arthaud made the motion to terminate the Racing Director's (Dean Meyer) employment effective June 27, 2005. Commissioner Pladson seconded the motion.

At this time, Commission Frederick entered the meeting by phone.

Legal Counsel Bill Peterson stated Tom Dickson, Dean Meyer's attorney, had asked him to convey a message and he asked that the Commission explain the reasons for his potential dismissal. Legal Counsel informed the commission that they were not under any legal compulsion to do that but said I would convey Mr. Dickson's message.

Discussion was held on this motion by the Commission.

Dean Meyer stated he had authority to hire two licensing personnel at Chippewa Downs, Ron Wilke and Carla Davis. I employed them with a verbal rate of \$50 per day. This weekend I had planned on taking up a personal service contract and get the Social Security numbers, the days worked and stuff and because of these circumstances I did not do that so I would ask that the Commission honor that agreement and also Saturday morning I received a call from them, or possibly Friday morning, that they could not get in on one of the programs that was licensing people and I told them to take the application, take the money and send a note back with the stuff and those people would be issued licenses in Fargo. Chairman Boehm stated we can act on that further into the meeting.

Further discussion continued with Doug Plummer, Leon Glasser, District 3 Representative Rod Froelich, Representative District 9 Merle Boucher and Scott Horst speaking. Scott Horst stated for the record that the ND Thoroughbred Association is totally against this decision and we believe we have the right to know what these reasons for his termination.

Chairman Boehm asked that the roll be taken:

Commissioner Boehm	Yes
Commissioner Pladson	Yes
Commissioner Arthaud	Yes
Commissioner Frederick	No
Commissioner Clement	No

Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM #2

2. Assign duties to certain individuals in absence of a Director

Commissioner Arthaud made the motion to authorize Chairman Boehm to approve payments. Commissioner Pladson seconded the motion.

The Chairman asked the Administrative Officer to take the roll:

Commissioner Arthaud	Yes
Commissioner Pladson	Yes
Commissioner Frederick	Yes
Chairman Boehm	Yes
Commissioner Clement	No

Motion passes.

Commissioner Arthaud made the motion to honor the verbal agreements made with Ron Wilke and Carla Davis the two licensing personnel at Belcourt. Commissioner Clement seconded the motion. After no further discussion the Chairman asked the Administrative Officer to take the roll:

Commissioner Arthaud	Yes
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Commissioner Clement	Yes
Commissioner Pladson	Yes
Commissioner Fredericks	Yes
Chairman Boehm	Yes

Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM #3

3. Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Boehm called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Commissioner Arthaud made a motion to adjourn the meeting.** **Commissioner Frederick seconded the motion.**