

**IOWA RACING AND GAMING COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 19, 2023**

The Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission (IRGC) met virtually/telephonically on Tuesday, December 19, 2023. Commission members present virtually were Daryl Olsen, Chair; Mark Campbell, Vice Chair; and members Julie Andres, Amy Burkhart and Alan Ostergren.

**WELCOME:** Chair Olsen called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM and explained the meeting was being held virtually as the Commission's next scheduled meeting is January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and the Commission had business that needed to be handled prior to that meeting and with the Commission members schedules and travel time the best way to handle the meeting was by a virtual or telephonic meeting.

**APPROVE AGENDA:** Chair Olsen requested a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Campbell moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Ostergren seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR:** Chair Olsen stated that on November 19, 2023, the Commission received and accepted Brian Ohorilko's resignation effective the end of the work day January 2, 2024. He said Brian has served the Commission and the industry well and with great integrity. They appreciate his 20 years with the state and wish him well as he returns to the private sector.

The Racing and Gaming Commission has posted the Administrator position and is accepting applicants through December 31<sup>st</sup>. An appointment of the new Administrator is expected at the Commission's next regular meeting on January 25, 2024. Chair Olsen stated an interim Administrator needs to be appointed until a permanent one can be appointed.

Chair Olsen requested a motion for the appointment of an interim Administrator. Commissioner Campbell moved to appoint Tina Eick as the interim Administrator. Commissioner Burkhart seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**CONTRACT:**

**HGI-Lakeside, LLC:** David Monroe, General Manager, presented a contract with Resolve Marine for a stabilization project for the barge due to water levels.

Chair Olsen questioned what the long-term plan was if Iowa stays in a continued drought. Mr. Monroe said they are continuing to look at other options but the immediate focus is to make sure there is no interruption to business operations. This solution gives them 4-6 months and they are working on an extended solution that will buy more time.

Hearing no further comments or questions, Chair Olsen requested a motion. Commissioner Ostergren moved to approve the contract with Resolve Marine as submitted by HGI-Lakeside, LLC. Commissioner Burkhart seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN:** Chair Olsen requested a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Andres so moved. Commissioner Campbell seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MINUTES TAKEN BY:

  
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