

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
SOUTHEAST IOWA REGIONAL RIVERBOAT COMMISSION**

**July 19, 2016 at 5:30P.M.  
PZAZZ Convention and Events Center  
Burlington, IOWA**

**CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by Steve Staebell, president (BRL)

Commissioners Present:

Dave Schwarz (KK), Dave Walker (BRL), Chuck Kempker (FM), Justin Pieper (FM) and Kirk Brandenberger (KK)

Guests:

Rob Higgins – General Manager Catfish Bend Casinos  
Sharon Scholl-Nabulsi and Moudi Nabulsi  
Jim Rheinhardt  
Jim and Susan Olson  
Butch DeBlick

**COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE:**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 19, 2016 MEETING:**

Motion was made by Dave Walker, with a second by Chuck Kempker.  
Passed by unanimous voice vote

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- A. April Financial Report
  - a. Dave Walker made a motion to approve the July financial report, said motion was seconded by Kirk Brandenberger.
  - b. Report passed on unanimous voice vote.
- B. May Financial Report
  - a. Dave Walker made a motion to approve the August financial report, said motion was seconded by Dave Schwarz.
  - b. Report passed on unanimous voice vote.

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**C. June Financial Report**

- a. Dave Walker made a motion to approve the September financial report, said motion was seconded by Kempker.
- b. Report passed on unanimous voice vote.

**CATFISH BEND CASINOS L.C. REPORT:**

Rob Higgins indicated that the casino's revenue experienced a 12% growth in revenue and was above many of the other facilities in Iowa. He indicated that the company was constantly working to improve the bottom line and that things were looking good.

Rob discussed the property renovation/expansion project. The project was going to start the following week. This renovation/expansion would bring on-line a new Hampton Inn & Suites with an additional 86 rooms. Some other changes would be expanded parking and moving the main entrance. These changes would also provide more visibility from the main roadway. He estimated that the project would take one year to complete.

**DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS INSURANCE RENEWAL, SEPT 2016**

The renewal of the Commission's Director's and Officer's insurance policy was discussed. The current policy would expire in September and the cost of renewing with Two Rivers Insurance would be \$1,500/year. This was in line with past renewals.

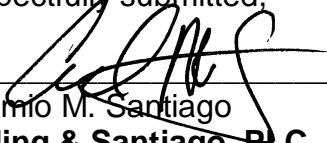
Justin Pieper made a motion to renew the insurance with Two Rivers Insurance for \$1,500/year and said motion was seconded by Chuck Kempker. The motion carried with a voice vote, with Steve Staebell abstaining from the vote.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chuck Kempker made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Commission, Kirk Brandenberger seconded said motion.

Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote  
Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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