Virginia Racing Commission

## MINUTES

## **OF THE**

## **COMMISSION MEETING**

## December 19, 2019

Colonial Downs Ballroom, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 10515 Colonial Downs Parkway New Kent, VA 23124

In Attendance Commission Members: D.G. Van Clief, Jr., Chairman Stuart Siegel, Vice Chairman J. Sargeant Reynolds, Jr. Stephanie B. Nixon

Commission Staff:

David S. Lermond, Jr., Executive Secretary Kimberly C. Mackey, Business Manager Rhonda Davis, Director of Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Licensing

Attorney General's Office: Elizabeth B. Myers, Esquire

At 10:00 a.m., Chairman Van Clief called the regular monthly meeting of the Virginia Racing Commission (VRC) to order.

Vice Chairman Siegel moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 2, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Nixon. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

During the public comment period, Tad Berman gave his opinion regarding items on the agenda pertaining to 2020 race days in Virginia.

Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve the Significant Infrastructure Limited License for 2020 and amended race days to include the recommendations in the staff report submitted by Colonial Downs Group, LLC. Seconded by Commissioner Nixon. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Nixon moved to approve the Licenses to Conduct Pari-Mutuel Wagering on Historical Horse Racing at Rosie's – New Kent, Rosie's – Richmond, Rosie's – Vinton, and Rosie's – Hampton for 2020 to include the recommendations in the staff reports submitted by Colonial Downs Group, LLC. Seconded by Chairman Van Clief. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Van Clief moved to approve the 2020 Advance Deposit Wagering (ADW) renewal applications submitted by Twinspires, TVG, Xpressbet, and NYRAbets. Seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. All were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Siegel moved to approve the VEA operating budget for 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Nixon moved to approve the VTA breeders fund administration budget for 2020. Seconded by Vice Chairman Siegel. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve Breeder Awards in the amount of \$712,500 and Stallion Awards in the amount of \$37,500 from the Thoroughbred portion of the Virginia Breeders Fund related to 2019. Seconded by Vice Chairman Siegel. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Siegel moved to approve the VHHA breeders fund administration budget for 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Nixon. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

With no further business set forth on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.