

AGENDA
MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION
MEETING
July 26, 2011
Conference Room, Gambling Control Board
Department of Public Safety Building
45 Commerce Drive, Augusta, Maine
Starting Time 11:00 AM

Call the Meeting to Order: George McHale, Chair
Approve Minutes: May 19 and June 22, 2011 meetings.

Adjudicatory Hearings:

1. **RE: Robert Sumner, Windsor, CT.** Mr. Sumner has appealed his Preliminary Denial for a Driver license. Mr. Sumner is currently under suspension in New York.
2. **RE: Scott W. Niles, Lincoln, ME.** Mr. Niles is appealing his Preliminary Denial for a Groom and Assistant Race Secretary licenses. Mr. Niles was penalized for operating without being duly licensed and for possession of drug paraphernalia in the ship –in area at Scarborough Downs.
3. **RE: Mathew Aubin, Farmington, ME.** Mr. Aubin was the trainer of record for the horse Fire Meets Ice on May 13, 2011 at Scarborough Downs. The urine sample collected from Fire Meets Ice tested positive for Phenylbutazone, a Class IV Drug.
4. **RE: Pursuant to 8 M.R.S.A., Section 271, sub-section 7, Hearing on Horse Supply.** Prior to August of each year, the Commission shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the horse supply in the State has been adequate for the number of dashes conducted on the assigned race dates.
5. **RE: Richard Robertson, Jr., Scarborough, ME.** Mr. Robertson is alleged to have violated Commission Rule Chapter 1 Section 10 (1-A), Financial Responsibility.
6. **RE: Greg Annaloro, Litchfield, NH.** Mr. Annaloro is alleged to have violated Commission Rule Chapter 1 Section 10 (1-A), Financial Responsibility.

Unfinished Business:

1. Establish a date for a Hearing to determine if Sportech, LTD has complied with the conditions imposed on its 2011 license to operate an off-track betting facility in Waterville, Maine.
2. **Review Chapter 7, Section 17, sub-section 6-J.** Possible emergency rulemaking:
Staff is recommending the following language: Any licensed individual who wishes to claim a horse from a claiming race must present to the Association a Cashier Check, Money Order or Certified Bank Check made out to the owner of the horse. The Association shall pay turn over the claiming price check to the original owner at the time the registration certificate is delivered for presentation to the successful claimant. The remaining check(s) shall be returned to the unsuccessful claimants.

Reports:

1. NONE

New Business:

1. Meet with the Judges regarding to discuss the conduct of racing this current racing season.
2. Review Proposed Rule Changes submitted by the Fairness Committee.

Other Business:

Date of Next Meeting:

1. **August 17, 2011**

Adjourn: