



**Special Meeting  
of the Board of Directors of the  
Connecticut Lottery Corporation**

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Held on

Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 10:45 a.m.

at the

Connecticut Lottery Corporation

777 Brook Street

Rocky Hill, Connecticut 06067

Board Members Present: Robert Simmelkjaer, Board Chair; Wilfred Blanchette Jr.; John Flores; James Heckman; Manny Langella; Patti Maroney; and Margaret Morton (all via teleconference).

Staff Members Present: Gregory Smith, President & CEO; Paul Granato; Matthew Stone; and Annmarie Daigle.

I. Welcome:

Chair Simmelkjaer welcomed the Board members and called the meeting to order at 10:46 a.m.

II. New Business:

a. Discussion and Possible Action Re: Financial Auditor Agreement

Mr. Granato described the Lottery's financial auditors' (Blum Shapiro and Company) recent acquisition by CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP and thus the need to amend the contract to reflect the name change as well as to exercise the extension option in that contract for an additional three years. Mr. Flores asked why the Finance Committee was charged with the audit function and not the Audit Committee. Mr. Smith responded that the Committees' areas of cognizance were realigned in early 2019 when the Executive Committee was formed and began to meet regularly.

On a motion by Ms. Maroney, seconded by Mr. Langella, and unanimously approved, it was:

Resolved, that after due consideration and based upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation's Board of Directors hereby approves (1) continued use of the financial auditors formerly known as Blum Shapiro, currently operating under the name of CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, under the same terms and conditions, and (2) the exercise of the extension option in that contract for three more years of service under the same terms and conditions.

III. Executive Session:

a. Real Estate Update

The Board opted to remain in public session for this topic.

Mr. Smith provided the Board with a summary of a potential real estate property lease recommendation, approved at the earlier joint meeting of the Executive and Finance Committees. On a motion by Mr. Blanchette, seconded by Ms. Maroney and unanimously approved, it was:

Resolved, that after due consideration and based upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Connecticut Lottery Corporation's Board of Directors hereby allows the President and CEO to sign a lease agreement for temporary office space at 865 Brook Street in Rocky Hill for an 18-month period, contingent on receiving the review by the State Properties Review Board.

IV. Adjournment:

On a motion by Ms. Morton, seconded by Mr. Heckman, and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Matthew Stone  
Corporation Secretary  
CT Lottery Corporation