

LICENSE PLATE AUCTION GROUP (LPAG)

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January 25, 2016

Minutes to the Meeting

Members in Attendance: Gina Robinson, Bob Gall, and Terri Krupke (via telephone), Mark Simon (via telephone), Ryan Carson (via telephone), Peter Pike, Maren Rubino,

Guests in Attendance: Chris Hochmuth – DOR, and Kit Sage, LeeAnn Morrill—AG’s office (via telephone), Corey Krause, Norm Smith and Dylan Ikenouye (via telephone).

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CONVENE:

Meeting Convened at 9:07 a.m. by Gina Robinson.

Minutes:

Gina asked for approval of the December 28, 2015 minutes. Peter asked to have some of his comments regarding the JAG investigation re-characterized from whether it was “relevant” to that of his expression of disappointment. Bob moved to approve the minutes as amended, Peter seconded the motion. Motion passed with Maren abstaining.

Request for release of “PONYRDE” “FREEWAY” “TENNIS” – Bob Gall:

Bob provided the background on how LPAG ended up with its inventory of registration numbers and how members of the public have asked to have some of the registrations numbers back and how he is acting as a conduit to help these people out in working with LPAG.

PONYRDE – Individual has approached LPAG in the past and was asked to provide a death certificate to consider releasing this registration number to the family.

FREEWAY – A gentlemen had the plate in another state and wants it.

TENNIS – former owner wishes to have it back

Bob moved to release all three of these registration numbers giving the people 30 days to apply, Mark 2nd the motion for purposes of discussion. Discussion about releasing these plates ensued. Mark noted that he believed that permission from the Governor's office was needed to release these until potential pending legislation was resolved. Mark also reiterated the need for a consistent process for releasing registration numbers, Gina agreed. Peter asked some clarifying questions about what LPAG authority still existed. LeeAnn clarified that spending authority is the only thing that had expired.

Bob withdrew his motion. Maren suggested that the Department work up a policy/procedure to bring back to the Group for review, Bob and Mark offered to help. Bob suggested holding this agenda item over to the next meeting.

Update on JAG Investigation:

LeeAnn had a meeting the arbiter, Judge Moorhead on 1-6-2016 to lay out the background of the investigation. He will start reaching out to various members of LPAG soon.

LeeAnn asked about TH Mack's status as a member of the Group as he has not been to any of the recent meetings. Gina said she'd have Romaine Pacheco check into it, but no one knew anything further. There was discussion as to who and how LPAG might reach out to TH. Gina would also check with Bobby to see if he'd been in contact with him and let Bobby contact TH if he deemed necessary.

Legislation:

Mark reported that nothing has happened so far. There is a meeting scheduled between the Governor's office and Rep. Young later this week. Peter asked Mark to offer some context about the legislation for members of the public, which he did.

Personalized Plates – Norm Smith:

Mr. Smith discussed his "57" license plates from 1977 and how he'd like to have the registration number back to register to his car once again. Also "9" and "14".

History of the various DMV systems and archiving and other plates (number 33) were discussed.

Bob moved to release registration number "57" and have DMV release registration number "69" from the offensive list to LPAG. There was general discussion around this motion and how registration numbers find their way on to the offensive list. This was referred to a subcommittee for further review.

TH Mack's proposal, per the last meeting was removed from the agenda.

Mark noted that LPAG is now outside of its usual 6 month reservation list, that the new Star Wars movie was incredibly popular and had a list of plates he'd like to suggest. Maren suggested they be added to the February registration number list request, along with any other requests the members might have.

Public Testimony:

There was also discussion around the value and marketability of various plates. Gina noted that this would have to be part of the transition plan. Peter doesn't believe it is fair to release registration numbers at this point in time. Mr. Krause offered his expertise to looking at the list to see what had value and how to market to the public. Gina asked Maren if it would be ok to release the list of reserved plates to Mr. Smith and Mr. Krause to review for marketability and value. Discussion about releasing the list to the public ensued and what the consequences of this might be. Also whether the list was public information or not, as there was no PPI/PII information, just a list of numbers.

Gina adjourned the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted
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