

MASSACHUSETTS THROUGHbred BREEDERS ASSOCIATION  
Board of Director's Business Meeting Minutes  
September 16, 2021

Zoom

Chairman Donna Pereira called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Benson, Karen-Treasurer	Catapano, Frank	Robbins, Bill
Brown, Arlene	Reagan, Kathy	
Currie, Joyce	Spadea, Anthony	
Currie, Robert-Sgt at Arms	Umbrello, Paul	
DiRico, Joe	Zizza, Anthony	
Pereira, Donna-Chair		
Rose, Gregg		

1.) Secretary's Report:

The secretaries report from 8/19/ 2021 was read and

Motion to accept report: Karen Benson Second: --Gregg Rose-----  
Objection: None Abstain: None

2.) Treasurer's Report:

Bill Robbins reported that the money from the casinos is coming in on a regular basis. Not as much going out this year for awards. Arlene gave a breakdown on the amount paid out for owner, breeder, stallion and supplemental awards.

Motion to accept report: Gregg Rose Second: Karen Benson  
Objection: None Abstain: None

3.) Arlene mentioned that the Sturbridge Selectmen's meeting voted in favor of the Sturbridge proposal. The proposal still has other votes needed including a town vote coming up this fall.

4.) Gregg Rose reported that only the 4 incumbents are running for election this year so he is not going to send out a ballot. Arlene asked if a notice should be sent out to members notifying them of the election results. Gregg agreed to notify members.

Arlene mentioned that our Bill is still in Senate House Ways and Means, She asked could everyone contact their Senators and ask them to urge Senator Rodrigues (chairman of that committee) to move the bill along.. Bill suggested that Gregg include this with his letter.

5.) Arlene discussed a call she had gotten from Matthew Clarke concerning a horse that won a race at Finger Lakes in September. He was informing us that the horse should have been ineligible to run in that race since it won a race at Fort Erie last year. He was concerned that we would pay awards to the horse when it should have been disqualified. After discussion, it was decided that we have to go by the official published results that Equibase provides. It is not our duty to decide that a horse should be disqualified. If Finger Lakes makes the decision and new results are published in Equibase then we will go by the official results. It was suggested that we hold up the awards on that race to give Finger Lakes and Fort Erie time to resolve the issue .

Gregg mentioned that Sturbridge has a website, [www.commonwealthracingLLC.com](http://www.commonwealthracingLLC.com) where information is posted on the progress of the proposal.

6.) Next Meeting)

General Meeting

Date: 10/26/2021    Time: 7:00 PM    Place: The Chateau, Norwood

7.) Adjournment 7:42 PM

Motion to adjourn Bob Currie    Second Karen Benson

Respectfully submitted

*Arlene B. Brown*