

**Montana Board of Horse Racing**

**Draft Meeting Minutes**

**July 26, 2025**

Great Falls Paddock Club or via Zoom

**Roll Call of Board Members:**

John Hayes - Present

Janis Calton - Present

Jody Smith – Present

Gary Koeplin - Present

Buckshot Nelson - Present

Corey Jones – Absent

Cindy Johnson - Present

**Montana Department of Commerce Staff Present:**

April Armstrong, Legal Counsel

Jada Maynor, Paralegal

**Public Present:**

Chris Cloutier

Tim Doughty

Sparky Kottke

Derek Doughty

Tryston Matt

Dan LaPierre

**Call Meeting to Order/ Introductions**

0:37 Gary Koeplin, Executive Secretary

**Notice of Audio/ Visual Recording/ Roll Call**

1:55 John Hayes, Chairman

**Approval of Minutes from November Meeting**

3:12 Motion: John Hayes – Approval of February Meeting Minutes

3:29 Second: Cindy Johnson

3:41 Mr. Hayes called for a vote: all yes. Motion passed

**Miles City Report**

4:10 Presenter: Robert Tooke and Gary Koeplin

**Great Falls Report**

8:47 Presenter: Gary Koeplin

**Financial Report**

12:15 Presenter: Gary K.

**Adjourned Public Board Meeting**

17:38 Adjourned at 9:22am.

Moved onto to Dan LaPierre appeal hearing, separate from this meeting.