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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION: 12 January 2018
Cherokee Hills Golf Course - Catoosa
Augusta Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: John Sparks, Chairman
Steven Barrick, Vice Chairman
Jennifer Goins, Commissioner (Teleconference)
Tina Glory-Jordan, Commissioner (Teleconference)
Janice Walters-Purcell, Commissioner (Teleconference)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

COMMISSION STAFF: Jamie Hummingbird, Director
Tammy Dry, Executive Assistant
Debra Wilson, Administrative Officer
Rhonda Trumbula, Special Projects Officer
Tracy Christie, Gaming Systems Analyst
Kelly Myers, Licensing Manager
Gena Caviness, Compliance Manager
Jeannie Bunch, Compliance Officer
Kyle Sourjohn, Compliance Officer
Walter Davis, Licensing Agent

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT: Gary Weddell, Operations
Monica Richards, Finance
Bear Christensen, Compliance
Melody Cable, CNB Audit
Jennifer Watkins, Compliance Manager
David Ledford, CNE IT
Jennifer Province, CNE Marketing
Josh Anderson, Surveillance
Kevin Scrapper, Marketing
Reba Chambers, Compliance
Dena Geib, CNB Legal
Jennifer Bryant, Human Resources
Mickey Ward, Operations

VISITORS: Chrissy Nimmo, Office of the Attorney General

CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sparks called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairman Sparks
Vice-Chairman Barrick
Commissioner Jordan
Commissioner Purcell
Commissioner Goins

A quorum was established with all members present. Commissioners Goins, Jordan and Purcell participated via teleconference.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve the 15 December 2017 minutes; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Introductions were made by attendees from the Cherokee Nation Gaming Commission (CNGC), Cherokee Nation Entertainment (CNE), Cherokee Nation Businesses (CNB), Cherokee Nation (CN), and guests.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to enter into executive session at 9:36 a.m. for the CNE November financial and facilities reports; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

CNE REPORTS:

A. FINANCIAL REPORT – M. RICHARDS

B. FACILITIES REPORT – M. FULTON

Commissioner Purcell motioned to exit executive session at 10:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

No action taken.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION SHARING-UPDATE (NO ACTION) – J. HUMMINGBIRD

Jamie reported that the connection process with AmericanChecked was progressing as they had met with them via teleconference. The connection was being tested and he was working on getting an update on the outcome of the testing. When the connection is successful, they will be ready to begin the transition to the primary background check being conducted from the CNE Human Resources (HR) level and then translated to the CNGC portion when a person is hired. Chairman Sparks asked who the primary tester was. Jamie stated that AmericanChecked was testing the interface with HotLink HR, the on-line gaming application service provider.

Commissioner Jordan inquired on a projected launch date. Jamie reported that the current week was the goal but AmericanChecked came across some issues. CNGC was waiting on Julie Hackman with AmericanChecked to report the outcome of the connection to be able to provide a more accurate report. Commissioner Jordan requested a group email informing the Commission of the activation date.

B. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY-MARKETING PROMOTIONS – J. HUMMINGBIRD

This delegation was granted several months ago for the Chair and Director to approve promotional activities between commission meetings and a request was made to revisit this in January 2018 for an update on how the delegation has worked. Jamie reported that Chrissy and the Office of the Attorney General had no concerns as to any modifications of the delegation. Dena Geib stated that they were not aware and may need more time to review. The delegation is set to continue until the Commission changes its mind. Jamie recommended that the delegation remain intact. Commissioner Jordan asked if this would continue as is if all was going well and the Chairman verified that it would be. CNE was in agreement to continuing the delegation. No action required.

C. COMPACT GAMING PRIZE CLAIM REGULATION - PROPOSED REVISION – J. HUMMINGBIRD

Jamie reintroduced the revisions to the regulation. The Commission decided to table this item in December to allow the Office of the Attorney General to review and

provide a response. Jamie provided the draft to the Attorney General's office for review and Chrissy did not have any concerns. Jamie recommended that the regulation be published under the Administrator's Procedures Act (APA) for a thirty (30) day comment period if there were no questions or concerns from the Commissioners. Commissioner Purcell had questions on some inconsistencies she had found.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to table this item until Chrissy Nimmo returned to the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

Revisit of this item

Commissioner Purcell stated that questions she had were on drafting issues that were seemingly inconsistent and that she would take those up with Chrissy at a later date. Chairman Sparks entertained a motion to table.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to table this item to the next regularly scheduled meeting; seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried.

Item H was taken up at this time. See respective line item below.

NEW BUSINESS

A. PERMITS & LICENSES – K. MYERS

Kelly presented and requested approval.

1. Employees

- Seventy-six (76) individual(s) for temporary permits
- Eighty-five (85) individual(s) for suitability determination
- Seventy-seven (77) orders
- Two hundred and nineteen (219) renewals for 9 February 2018

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

2. Vendor & Vendor Representatives

- Three (3) Class A Company Order(s) for 12 January 2018
- Twenty-three (23) Class A Individual Order(s) for 12 January 2018
- Six (6) Class A Company Renewal(s) for 9 February 2018
- Forty-two (42) Class A Individual Renewals for 9 February 2018

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

B. LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS – K. MYERS

Kelly presented eight (8) new license classifications for approval as well as one hundred and eleven (111) job titles be placed as inactive.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried.

C. GAME & SYSTEM APPROVALS – G. CAVINESS

1. Electronic Game Themes

- Everi 9
- VGT 2
- Bally 15
- Ainsworth 4
- IGT 1
- Aruze 1
- Konami 1

New Cabinet

- Bally 1

Upgraded Class 3 OS/Main Program(s)

- Aruze 2
- Ainsworth 1
- IGT 1

New Gaming Cabinet Component(s)

- VGT 1

Director Approved Item(s)

- Bally 1
- Aristocrat 1

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as provided; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

2. Table & Card Games

None

Commissioner Jordan asked if the eight (8) card games discussed at the last meeting were activated. Jamie reported that approvals were sent out on the Open Face Chinese Poker and the Pineapple Open Face Chinese Poker. There were some changes to the main Chinese Poker game. All the changes to the pamphlets and policies had been submitted on all other games and Jamie hoped to get them finalized that day. The last piece submitted was Chinese Poker. Firebet was approved the previous week.

Commissioner Jordan asked if all were going online by the end of the week. Jamie reported that they will be ready when CNE receives the approvals and CNE verified. Commissioner Jordan requested an update be sent via email the following Monday and when they go online. Bear added that there were a couple of changes that still needed to be made to the pamphlets. They will have to be printed for availability to the guests before they begin play. Depending on the printing, it could be up to two (2) weeks before they can place them on the floor once approval is received from CNGC.

Commissioner Jordan requested an update be forwarded the following week and another when they go online.

3. Systems

Global Payments Multi-Function Ticket Redemption Kiosk

Affirmation of approval was requested for the multi-function kiosk that was previously evaluated to replace the current outdated NRT kiosks. The vendor is a Class A gaming vendor. On 9 November 2017 the Commission granted authority for the Director to approve the kiosk prior to the 15 December 2017 meeting; the Director granted approval on 12 December 2017. Gena recommended affirmation approval from the Commission for the Global Payments Multi-Function Kiosk, Software, and CNE System of Internal Control Standards (SICS) as listed.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Delegation of Authority

Gena reported that CNE was requesting a delegation of authority be granted to the Director and/or Chairman for an Off Track Betting (OTB) kiosk for the Sallisaw and West Siloam Springs properties. The delegation would be for approval of the kiosk between the January and February meetings to have implementation by 31 January 2018. The CNGC had received most of the documents necessary for a review of the kiosk and will schedule a demonstration the following week. CNGC will bring forth questions after completing a review of the submitted documents and kiosk demonstration. They hope to have this implemented in the next two (2) weeks.

Commissioner Barrick made a motion to approve the delegation of authority limited to the purpose identified; seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

Commissioner Sparks requested an update on this at the next meeting.

D. PROMOTIONS & CALENDAR OF EVENTS – J. BUNCH

Jeannie presented the promotions and calendar of events and recommended approval as listed with the exclusion of those listed for Ramona and South Coffeyville.

Commissioner Jordan motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Catoosa Confidential Memo

Jeannie presented and requested approval for the promotions as listed and affirmation on the Director approved items.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

E. TOURNAMENTS – J. BUNCH

Jeannie presented the tournaments and calendar of events and recommended approval as listed.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

F. IN-HOUSE PROGRESSIVE TRANSFERS – J. BUNCH

Jeannie reported that she had reviewed the information and recommended approval for the transfer of retired in-house progressive (IHP) funds to promotional funds for the direct benefit of e-games patrons.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

Addendum – IHP Adjustment for Roland

It was brought to the attention of CNE Corporate Accounting that a previously retired amount from April 2017 had a discrepancy. The amount of \$42.38 requested and retired should have been \$47.38. Therefore, the additional amount of \$5.00 was requested by CNE to correct the amount retired for the Roland property.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

G. CNGC 2017 AUDIT CYCLE UPDATE – T. ASHER

Jamie reported that Traci was wrapping up some internal audits and with the external auditor and hopes to have a draft report soon. There were no audits to present.

The CNB ongoing activities report for the first quarter was included in the packet and there will be several audits presented at the February meeting.

Chairman Sparks asked what the memo from CNB dated for 21 December 2017 applied to. Melody explained the process that the memo addressed regarding quarterly testing.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to revisit Item C; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Item C was taken up at this time. See respective line item above.

H. INVESTIGATIONS, LICENSE ACTIONS & HEARINGS – MYERS/CAVINESS

Commissioner Barrick motioned to enter into executive session at 11:09 a.m. for briefings on the hearings and/or investigations and hear each individual as scheduled; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jordan signed off at 11:23 a.m.

Commissioner Goins motioned to exit executive session and return to regular session at 2:02 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried.

Kelly made the following recommendations and requested approval.

Tab 1 - Present

Action: Grant a conditional license with the stipulation of no criminal activity for twelve (12) months.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve as presented; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Commissioner Purcell abstained. Motion carried.

Tab 2 - Present

Action: Reinstate gaming license after proof has been received that the active warrant has been recalled. Individual must report all activity to CNGC on current case. Kelly will provide a review to the Commission in April 2018.

Tab 3 - Present

Action: License denial for failure to report a revocation of their vendor license by another Tribal Gaming Commission.

Tab 4 - Teleconference

Action: Tabled for further investigation.

Tab 5

Action: License revocation for violation of listed criteria.

Tab 6 – Present

Action: License revocation for violation of listed criteria.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as presented; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

DIRECTORS REPORT - J. HUMMINGBIRD

Jamie announced an error on the compact fee payment summary page. He made the correction and will forward a corrected copy to the Commissioners.

The external audit is wrapping up and a draft report is expected the following week. The deadline for submission to the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) is 28 January 2018.

OPEN SESSION:

Tammy asked the Commissioners to let her know if they want to attend the National Tribal Gaming Commissioners/Regulators (NTGCR) conference scheduled for March 20-22, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Purcell motioned to adjourn at 2:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:


CHAIRMAN SPARKS


DATE