MEETING DATE / LOCATION: February 9, 2024
Hard Rock Hotel & Casino
777 West Cherokee St.
Catoosa, Ok, 74015

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: John Sparks, Chairman
Richard Hull, Commissioner
Linda O’Leary, Commissioner
Frank DeLozier, Commissioner

COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Dwight Birdwell, Commissioner

COMMISSION STAFF: Audra Imhoff, Interim – Executive Director
Tristan Trumbla, Gaming System Analyst
Indy Hicks, CNGC IT
Kelsey Vann, Compliance Manager
Amy Calico, Executive Assistant
Kandance Willyard, Gaming Licensing Agent
Diane Abbott, Gaming Licensing Agent
Velma Coon-Santos, CNGC Audit

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT: Monica Richards, Finance
Angelica Jobe, CNE IT
Mitch Moren, CNB Audit
Kyle Culver, CNE Marketing
Tim Branham, CNE – IT
Jason Winbolt, CNE – IT
Kimberly Pool, CNE - HR
Bear Christensen, CNE Compliance
Gary Weddell, CNE Operations
Todd Hembree, CNB Legal

VISITORS: Greg Calvert, CN Office of the Attorney General
Melvina Shotpouch, CN Tribal Council
Paiten Qualls, CN Office of the Attorney General
I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sparks called the meeting to order at 9:45 am.

II. ROLL CALL:

Amy Calico called Roll.

Present:  Commissioner Sparks  
Commissioner Hull  
Commissioner O’Leary  
Commission DeLozier

Absent:  Commissioner Birdwell

Four (4) Commissioners were present and a quorum was established.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Hull made the motion to approve the Agenda; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried and the Agenda was approved.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the January 12, 2024, Minutes. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to approve the Minutes; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Chair recognized Commissioner Hull as making a Motion to amend the Minutes. Commissioner Hull stated, “On Page 3, 9.A.1. My name was on the list to be approved. I abstained from the vote, and it does not reflect my abstention from the Motion. I would like to ask that it be amended to reflect that.” The Chair made the Motion; Seconded by DeLozier. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes. Minutes are approved as amended.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

The Chair introduced the new Interim-Executive Director, Audra Imhoff. The Chair asked that guests introduce themselves. (Tim Branhm & Jason Winbolt).
VI. CNE REPORTS:
The Chair, next item is the CNE Reports. The Chair entertained the motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving the CNE Reports and Executive Director's report. Commissioner O'Leary made the motion to enter into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried and the Commission entered into Executive Session to discuss items VI.A-G and VII at 9:51 am.
A. Financial
B. Facilities
C. Project Fusion Updates
D. Modern Data Warehouse Updates
E. Litigation
F. Compacts
G. NIGC

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
The reports under item VI.A-G were received in Executive Session and no action was taken. The Chair entertains the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 10:46 am.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:
None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:
A. Permits & Licenses

1. Employees:
The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Thirty-Three (33) Temporary Permits, Twenty-Two (22) Suitability Determinations, Thirty-One (31) Licensing Orders, and One Hundred and Twenty-One (121) Renewals. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.
2. Vendor & Vendor Representatives:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve Zero (0) Company Orders for February 9, 2024, Seven (7) Individual Orders for February 9, 2024, Three (3) Company Renewals for March 8, 2024, and Twenty-Three (23) Individual Orders for March 8, 2024. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

3. License Classifications

a. Sr. Manager Policy and Business Support

The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the Job description for AC6034. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

B. Game & System Approvals

1. Electronic Gaming Machine Requests – T. Trumbla

The Chair entertains the Motion to approve the following items as listed in EGM Memo:

- 34 new electronic game themes (6 Everi, 1 Gaming Arts, 6 Aristocrats, 18 AGS, 2 Konami, and 1 VGT)
- 1 new gaming cabinet (1 VGT)
- 4 new OS/main programs (1 Gaming Arts, 2 AGS, and 1 VGT)
- 3 new gaming component (1 Gaming Arts and 2 VGT)
- 7 Executive Director approved Items (2 LNW, 1 Konami, 4 Ainsworth).

Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Delozier. Any questions or debate. The Motion passes, the EGM items are approved.

The Chair entertained Second Motion to Affirm the Seven (7) Executive Director’s Memo approvals previously granted. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. The Chair asked for any question, no questions. The Motion passes, the approvals were affirmed.

2. OPTX – Mobile App Approval – T. Trumbla

The Chair entertains a Motion to approve the Mobile App. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.
C. Promotions – K. Vann

The Chair entertains a Motion for Approval or Affirmation of the Three (3) Calendar Events and Promotions enclosed in the packet. Commissioner O’Leary makes the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion passes.

D. Tournaments – K. Vann

The Chair entertains a Motion to affirm the Five (5) Tournament Game Offerings in West Siloam and Catoosa. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Motion passes.

E. IHP Transfer Request Memo – K. Vann

The Chair will entertain a Motion to approve the request to transfer in retired in-house progressive (IHP) funds to promotional funds. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by O’Leary. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

F. System of Internal Controls – K. Vann

The Chair entertains a Motion to approve the revisions SICS as recommended by the staff. Commissioner Hull makes the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. The Chair asked for any question, no questions. Motion passes.

- SEC303 Maintain security and integrity of the drop. (Revision)

G. 24-03AP Complimentaries FAR – Information Only - V. Coon-Santos

The Chair recognized V. Coon-Santos. Ms. Coon-Santos states, “We are seeking approval and release of our audit.” The Chair made a Motion to approve the release of the final audit report dated February 9, 2024. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by O’Leary. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes.

H. 2024 TICS Table Games Review (Information Only) - V. Coon-Santos

The Chair asked if Ms. Coon-Santos would like to give a summary. Ms. Coon-Santos states, “This is the initial memo for the TICS table games audit on the CNB audit side.” The Chair requested the minutes to reflect that the information was provided and received.
I. 2024 TICS Pari-Mutuel Review (Information Only) - V. Coon-Santos

The Chair asked if Ms. Coon-Santos would like to add anything to the review. Ms. Coon-Santos states, “This is the initial memo for the TICS Pari-Mutuel audit on the CNB audit side.” The Chair requested the minutes to reflect that the information was provided and received.

J. Investigations, Licenses, & Hearings – K. Willyard

The Chair entertained the Motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving the Investigations, Licenses, and Hearings. Commissioner O'Leary made the motion to enter into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried and the Commission entered Executive Session at approximately 11:25am.

Motion to approve regarding Individual 38697. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

Motion regarding Individual 1052505, The Chair entertained the Motion to approve conditioned upon documentary evidence on completion of deferred sentence. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

Motion to deny regarding Individual 1052692, Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by O'Leary. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

The Chair entertains the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 12:15pm.

OPEN SESSION

The Chair asks if any statements or discussions in open session.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair entertains the Motion to Adjourn. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried and the Commission adjourned the meeting at 12:21pm.
Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Sparks

Date

07/08/2024