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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION:

March 6, 2026
Hard Rock Hotel & Casino
777 Cherokee St.
Catoosa, Ok 74015

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

John Sparks, Chairman
Richard Hull, Commissioner
Dwight Birdwell, Commissioner
Frank DeLozier, Commissioner
Linda O'Leary, Commissioner

COMMISSION STAFF:

Audra Imhoff, Executive Director
Cody Quetone, Licensing Manager
Tim Forrest, Audit Manager
Cale Parnell, Administrative Officer
Cody Bearhill, Senior Gaming Agent Supervisor
Indy Hicks, Gaming Systems Analyst
Payton Dean, Compliance Officer
Matthias Garcia, Compliance Officer
Kandance Willyard, Licensing Agent
Amy Calico, Executive Assistant

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT:

Brian Bork, CNE Marketing
BJ Harrington, Corporate Gaming
Bear Christensen, CNE Compliance
Angelia Jobe, CNE IT
Reba Chambers, CNE Compliance
Jennifer Watkins, CNE Compliance
Kyle Culver, CNE Marketing

VISITORS:

Greg Calvert , CN Office of the Attorney General
Todd Hembree, CNB Legal
Melvina Shotpouch, Tribal Council

**CHEROKEE GAMING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

March 6, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Sparks called the meeting to order at 9:35 am.

II. ROLL CALL:

Amy Calico called Roll.

Present: Chairman Sparks
Commission Hull
Commissioner Birdwell
Commissioner DeLozier
Commissioner O'Leary

Five (5) 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. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the February 6, 2026, Minutes. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to approve the Minutes; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Matthias Garcia, Payton Dean

VI. 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 Hull.

The Motion carried and the Commission entered into Executive Session to discuss items VI.A-E, and VII at 9:38am.

- A. Financial
- B. Facilities
- C. Marketing Project Updates
- D. Litigation
- E. Compacts

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The reports under items VI.A-E, and VII. A-B were received in Executive Session, and no action was taken. The Chair entertains the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 9:55am.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Permits & Licenses-

1. Employees Temporary:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Twenty-Three (23) Temporary Orders; Fifteen (15) Suitability Orders and Fourteen (14) Licensing Orders effective March 6, 2026. Commissioner Hull made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion passes.

2. Employees Renewal:

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the One Hundred and Fourteen (114) Renewals effective March 6, 2026. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

3. Vendor New Company:

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the One (1) Company Orders and Eleven (11) Individual Orders for March 6, 2026. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

4. Vendor Renewals:

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve Twelve (12) Individual Renewals for April 2, 2026. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

5. License Classifications

The Chair entertained a Motion to Affirm the previously provided approval from the Executive Director. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

B. Game & System Approvals

1. Electronic Gaming Machine Approvals – C. Bearhill

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the following items as listed in EGM Memo:

- 68 new electronic game themes
- 5 new OS/Main programs
- 2 new gaming components
- 2 new gaming cabinet

Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions or debate. The Motion passes.

2. Electronic Gaming Machine Affirmations – C. Bearhill

The Chair entertained the Motion to Affirm the Executive Director’s approvals previously granted as listed in EGM Memo:

- 9 new electronic game themes
- 2 new gaming components

Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions or debate. The Motion passes, the approvals were affirmed.

C. IHP Transfer Request Memo – I. Hicks

The Chair entertained the Motion to Release The Requested Retired Progressive Funds to Promotions. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion passes.

D. Promotions – I. Hicks

The Chair entertained the Motion to Affirm the previously provided Executive Director Approval for the Promotions enclosed in the packet. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Motion passes.

E. Tournaments – I. Hicks

The Chair entertained the Motion to Affirm the previously provided Executive Director Approval for the Tournaments enclosed in the packet. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion passes.

F. SICS – I. Hicks

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the SICS revisions listed in the packet. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Any questions or debate. Motion passes.

G. WSOP+ Application – I. Hicks

The Chair entertained the Motion to Affirm the Executive Director’s Approval of the WSOP+ Application listed in the packet. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Any questions or debate. Motion passes.

H. 26-03AP Complimentaries Final Audit Report - T. Forrest

The Chair entertained the Motion to release the Final Audit Report. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions or debate. Motion passes.

I. 2026 CNE TICS Auditing Revenue (Information Only) - T. Forrest

The Chair requested unanimous consent to let the record reflect that the receipt of information was without objection and the order be reflected in the minutes. Any questions.

J. Investigations, Licenses, & Hearings – C. Quetone

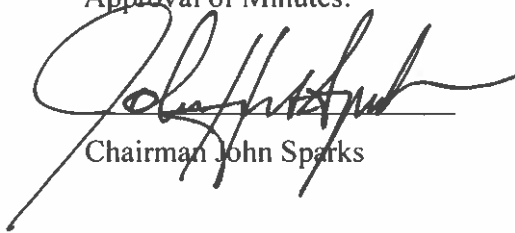
No action was taken.

OPEN SESSION

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair entertained the Motion to Adjourn. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried and the Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:19am.

Approval of Minutes:


Chairman John Sparks

Apr: 2, 2026
Date