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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION: 14 April 2020
Video/Audio Conference Hosted:
CNGC Conference Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: John Sparks, Chairman
Steven Barrick, Vice Chairman
Jennifer Goins, Commissioner
Linda O’Leary, Commissioner
Shawna Baker, Commissioner

COMMISSION STAFF: Janice Walters Purcell, Executive Director
Tiffany Cochran, Compliance Manager
Kelly Myers, Licensing Manager
Tammy Perry, Executive Assistant

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT: Gary Weddell, Gaming Operations
Bear Christensen, Compliance
Monica Richards, Accounting
Todd Hembree, Legal

VISITORS: John Young, Office of the Attorney General

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I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sparks called the meeting to order at approximately 10:17 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairman Sparks
Commissioner O'Leary
Commissioner Goins

A quorum was established.

III. SCHEDULING OF COMMISSION MEETINGS FOR REMAINDER OF 2020:

Chairman Sparks stated this meeting has been called to address the scheduling of future meetings, we need a meeting on or before May 1, 2020. We have a regularly scheduled meeting on April 24, 2020 and I suggest we continue on this date. Chairman Sparks stated to provide people with notice about the rescheduling of meetings in September, October, November, and December because I will be out of state on these days.

Chairman Sparks made a motion to move previously scheduled Commission Meetings from September 11, 2020 to September 10, 2020, October 9, 2020 to October 8, 2020 and from November 6, 2020 to November 5, 2020, and all other regularly scheduled meetings will stay the same.
Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary.

Commissioner Steve Barrick joined the call at 10:23 a.m.

Chairman Sparks explained to Commissioner Barrick that they were in the middle of a motion that we needed to have a meeting to renew licenses on or before May 1, 2020. Chairman Sparks stated we have a regularly scheduled meeting April 24, 2020. We can have the next regularly scheduled meeting and go through the rest of the year with the dates previously adopted with the idea it's more appropriate to post things and not take action. Chairman Sparks stated we are going to move forward with the regular schedule with the exception of September, October, and November. Chairman

Sparks stated he had a motion to move these from Fridays to Thursdays because he will be on airplanes on Fridays, and he wanted to respect other people's schedules. Chairman Sparks explained that he has mentioned this for the past few months and he hasn't heard anyone speak up.

Executive Director Purcell stated she wasn't sure about the Rules Committee day of the week and dates, but she would check into it for him.

Chairman Sparks stated there may be an overlap of the Rules Committee's on those Thursdays, but he will speak with Speaker Byrd and make sure we are proactive about avoiding that conflict. Chairman Sparks said that at this point I would like to amend my motion on that the location is the Chota Room 1, can we change that location to the Commission Offices with the understanding that the Executive Director will be there.

Executive Director Purcell ask are we going to post that it is audio only and Chairman Sparks replied yes and we needed a physical location so he would like to amend his motion.

Commissioner Baker joined the meeting by audio at 10:27 a.m.

Chairman Sparks stated he was amending a prior motion to change the April 24, 2020 meeting location from the Chota Room 1 at the Tahlequah Casino to the CNGC offices.

Seconded by Commissioner Goins

Motion Carried to change the meeting location of the April 24, 2020 meeting.

Chairman Sparks said he would entertain a motion to change the meeting time from 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Goins made the motion. Commissioner Barrick seconded the motion. The motion is to move the April 24, 2020 meeting to 9:00 a.m. due to technical issues we are experiencing, Chairman Sparks stated, "I just thought if we bumped it up 30 minutes and since we don't have to drive in and out that would not be such a problem".

Motion is carried.

Chairman Sparks indicated for the people who had just joined due to licensing requirements we are going to continue forward with meetings as previously scheduled the next meeting will be on April 24, 2020, the following meeting May 22, 2020, June 19, 2020, July 17, 2020, August 14, 2020, the September date moved from the 11th to the 10th, October 9, 2020 to October 8, 2020, and November 6, 2020 to November 6, 2020 with the final meeting on December 4, 2020. Commissioner O'Leary ask for the October meeting date, Chairman Sparks replied October 8, 2020. Chairman Sparks

indicated none of this was written in stone, I suspect we will make changes to adapt to future circumstances.

Motion is carried.

Chairman Sparks ask Executive Director Purcell if she had anything else on the agenda today. Executive Director Purcell replied, no.

Chairman Sparks explained he would get with the Executive Director today and work on an agenda for the April 24, 2020 meeting. Chairman Sparks explained they would follow a full agenda format knowing that they will either strike or take no action on most of it. He told everyone don't be surprised if you see a full agenda, we don't anticipate taking all that.

Executive Director Purcell ask are we going to limit the Commission Meeting on the 24 April 2020, to licensing or are we going to include any Financial Reports or any Affirmations of Director Approval? Chairman Sparks answered we are going to include those on the agenda between now and April 24, 2020, we will see what is mandatory that we take up and what's not for purposes of the posting of the Open Meetings Act. Chairman Sparks ask Counsel Young if he agreed or disagreed with that. Counsel Young answered that he agreed with Chairman Sparks.

Commissioner O'Leary ask for verification that the rest of the meetings would begin at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Sparks replied for right now let's do April 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., we can see how the rest of them roll out.

Commissioner Barrick asked did we know how were going to hold the meeting, was it going to be video or audio. Chairman Sparks answered to my understanding CNGC will be using the Cherokee Nation Cisco WebEx Platform that we are using right now. Executive Director Purcell stated that on the invite that is automatically generated it will say Join meeting, but below that if your platform doesn't support that you can also call in. You can join from a phone or you can join from a video system, but WebEx is the service that is provided by Cherokee Nation so it was preferred that we use that. Chairman Sparks stated that he was happy with WebEx.

Commissioner asked Executive Director Purcell if could send out a revised meeting schedule and Executive Director Purcell replied she would.

Counsel Young asked Chairman Sparks just to clarify do we have any immediate licensing issues that we need to deal with before we adjourn? Chairman Sparks replied to my understanding there are no issues today. Kelly Myers replied at this time no, we will be within our time frame because it is the 24 of April 2020 to take up anything that needs action to go to Compliance it's not just renewals it's all the current ones that need to go up for suitability. Chairman Sparks asked Kelly Myers, do you anticipate an adverse action that would trigger the option for a hearing? Kelly replied, we have a few that could possibly need action but they'll go before the Director and

Executive Director first. Kelly stated she didn't have a chance to look at each individual one. Kelly stated that her staff needed to be in the office and she needed to speak with Executive Director Purcell on that later. Chairman Sparks replied we will figure that out as required.

Commissioner O'Leary motioned to adjourn
Commissioner Baker seconded.
Motion to adjourn carried at 10:40 a.m.

Approval of Minutes:


CHAIRMAN SPARKS

May 22, 2020
DATE