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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION:

May 1, 2026
Cherokee Casino Tahlequah
3307 Seven Clans Ave
Tahlequah, Ok 74464

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

John Sparks, Chairman

COMMISSION STAFF:

Audra Imhoff, Executive Director
Cody Quetone, Licensing Manager
Tim Forrest, Audit Manager
Kelsey Markes, Compliance Manager
Cale Parnell, Administrative Officer
Matthias Garcia, Compliance Officer
Amy Calico, Executive Assistant
Indy Hicks, Gaming Systems Analyst

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT: Zachary Nix, CNE Finance

BJ Harrington, Corporate Gaming
Bear Christensen, CNE Compliance
Reba Chambers, CNE Compliance
Jennifer Watkins, CNE Compliance
Mitch Moren, CNB Audit

VISITORS:

Greg Calvert , CN Office of the Attorney General
Todd Hembree, CNB Legal

**CHEROKEE GAMING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

May 1, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Hull called the meeting to order at 9:41am.

II. ROLL CALL:

Amy Calico called Roll.

Present: Commissioner O'Leary
Commissioner Hull
Commissioner Birdwell
Commissioner DeLozier

Absent: Chairman Sparks

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

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner DeLozier made the motion to approve the Agenda; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to approve the April 2, 2026, Minutes. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to approve the Minutes; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

VI. CNE REPORTS:

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving the CNE Reports and Executive Director's report. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to enter into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary.

The Motion carried and the Commission entered into Executive Session to discuss items VI.A-E, and VII at 9:44am.

- 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 Acting Chair entertains the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 9:56am.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Permits & Licenses-

1. Employees Temporary:

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Twenty-Two (22) Temporary Orders; Forty-Three (43) Suitability Orders and Twenty-Three (23) Licensing Orders effective May 1, 2026. Commissioner Birdwell made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion passes.

2. Employees Renewal:

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the One Hundred and Forty (140) Renewals effective May 1, 2026. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the One (1) Renewals effective May 1, 2026. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes. Commissioner Birdwell abstained from the vote.

3. Vendor New Company:

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the Three (3) Company Order and Thirty-Four (34) Individual Orders for May 1, 2026. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

4. Vendor Renewals:

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the Two (2) Company Renewals and Twenty-One (21) Individual Renewals for May 29, 2026. Commissioner Birdwell made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

5. License Classifications

The Acting 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 – I. Hicks

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

- 67 new electronic game themes
- 1 new gaming component
- 3 new OS/Main programs
- 2 new gaming cabinets

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

2. Electronic Gaming Machine Affirmations – I. Hicks

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

- 4 new electronic game themes
- 4 new OS/Main programs
- 1 new gaming component

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

C. IHP Transfer Request Memo – I. Hicks

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

D. Promotions – I. Hicks

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to Affirm the previously provided Executive Director Approval for the Promotions enclosed in the packet. Commissioner Birdwell made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion passes.

E. Tournaments – I. Hicks

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

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

F. SICS – I. Hicks

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the SICS Revisions listed in the packet. Commissioner Birdwell made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions or debate. Motion passes.

G. 2026 CNE TICS Pari-Mutual Review - T. Forrest

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

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

No action was taken.

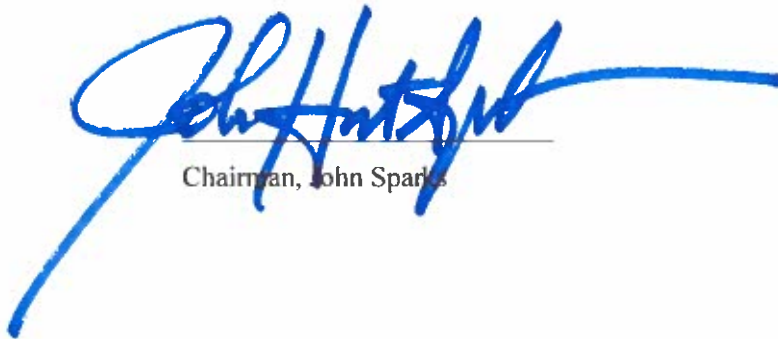
X. OPEN SESSION

No action was taken.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The Acting Chair entertained the Motion to Adjourn. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried and the Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:28am.

Approval of Minutes:



Chairman, John Sparks

May 29, 2026
Date