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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION:

March 10, 2023
Conference Hosted:
Multi-Purpose Room, Hard Rock Hotel and
Casino, Catoosa, OK

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

COMMISSION STAFF:

Janice Walters Purcell, Executive Director
Mikal Yahola, Executive Assistant
Audra Imhoff, Audit Manager
Thomas Maslen, Compliance Manager
Chelsey Collins, Special Projects Analyst
Tristan Trumbla, Gaming Systems Analyst

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT:

Gary Weddell, Casino Operations
Bear Christensen, Sr. Director of Compliance
Todd Hembree, CNB Legal
Alex Bohanon, CNB Internal Audit
Paiten Qualls, CNB Legal
Angelia Jobe, IT Manager
Kimberly Pool, CNE HR

VISITORS:

Gregory Calvert, CN Office of the Attorney General
Melvina Shotpouch, CN Tribal Council

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MEETING MINUTES
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I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sparks called the meeting to order at 9:32 AM.

II. ROLL CALL:

Mikal Yahola called Roll.

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

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

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Chairman Sparks, the third item on the agenda is the approval of the Agenda. Commissioner Hull Motions to approve the Agenda; seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. The Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Sparks, the next item is the approval of the Minutes. The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the Minutes from the meeting on February 10, 2023. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion to approve the minutes; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Chairman Sparks, next item is the introduction of guests. Chairman Sparks asked all guests to stand and introduce themselves.

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

VI. CNE REPORTS:

Chairman Sparks, next item is the CNE Reports. Commissioner Hull Motioned to enter into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. The Motion carried and the Commission entered into Executive Session at approximately 9:35 AM.

- A. FINANCIAL REPORT
- B. FACILITIES REPORT
- C. PRODUCT DEMO
- D. LITIGATION
- E. COMPACTS
- F. NIGC
- G. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The reports under item VI. A., B., C., D., E., F., and G. were received in Executive Session and no action was taken. Commissioner O'Leary Motioned to exit Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried and the Commission exited Executive Session at approximately 10:43 AM.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Sparks, We are on to item VIII. A. Permits and Licenses.

A. PERMITS & LICENSES – J. PURCELL

Executive Director Purcell presented the Permits & Licenses and requested the employee recommendations be approved as recommended.

The following are the Individual Temporary Permits, Individual Suitability Determinations, Orders, and Renewals recommended for approval:

1. EMPLOYEES

- Fifty-two (52) Individual Temporary Permits.
- Thirty-nine (39) Individual Suitability Determinations.
- Thirty-six (36) Orders; Including one CNGC individual Ryne Spencer.
- Ninety-four (94) Renewals

The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the fifty-two (52) individual temporary permits, thirty-nine (39), individual suitability determinations, thirty-six (36) orders, and ninety-four (94) renewals. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion to approve the employee recommendations as stated; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried.

2. VENDOR AND VENDOR REPRESENTATIVES

Executive Director Purcell presented the Vendor and Vendor Representatives and recommended approval. The following are the Individual Orders, Company Renewals, and Individual Renewals recommended for approval.

- Zero (0) Company Order
- Ten (10) Individual Orders
- Zero (0) Company Renewals
- Ten (10) Individual Renewals

The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the staff recommendation on the ten (10) Individual Orders and ten (10) Individual Renewals. Commissioner Hull made the Motion to approve the vendor and vendor representatives as stated; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. The

Motion carried.

B. GAME & SYSTEM APPROVALS – T. TRUMBLA

Chairman Sparks, recognized Tristan Trumbula to present item B. Game and System Approvals.

1. EGM MEMO

Mr. Trumbula presented the EGM Memo to the Commission and recommended approval and affirmation of the Executive Director's prior approval as submitted; forty-two (42) new electronic game themes, five (5) new main programs/OS, one (1) new gaming component, and four (4) Executive Director approved items.

New Electronic Game Themes

- 2 Novomatic
- 2 Aries
- 2 Everi
- 15 AGS
- 15 SG Gaming
- 6 IGT

New Main Programs/OS

- 2 Everi
- 2 AGS
- 1 LNW Gaming

New Gaming Component

- 1 IGT

Executive Director Approvals

- 2 Sega Sammy Creation
- 1 IGT
- 1 Aristocrat

The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the forty-two (42) new electronic game themes, five (5) new main programs, one (1) new gaming

component, and to Affirm the four (4) Executive Director approved items. Commissioner O'Leary made the motion as stated; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried.

C. SICS MEMO – C. COLLINS

Chairman Sparks recognized Chelsey Collins to present the SICS Memo to the Commission. Ms. Collins presented item VIII.C. and requested approval for the new and revised SICS as presented in the memo.

The Chair entertained a Motion to adopt the two (2) New SICS (FI024 Title 31 Currency Transaction Tracking and Reporting and SEC450 Security Licensing, respectively) as presented. Commissioner Hull made the Motion to approve the SICS as presented; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. The Motion carried.

The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the three (3) Revised SICS (COM004 Title 26 and Title 31 Training, COM005 Compliance Title 31 Duties, and SEC300 Excluded Persons, respectively) as presented.

Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion to approve the revisions to the SICS as presented; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried.

D. PROMOTIONS – C. COLLINS

Ms. Collins presented item VIII.D. to the Commission and requested Affirmation of the Executive Director's prior approval. As a point of order, the Chair asked if all the events had been given Executive Director's Approval. Executive Director Purcell confirmed the events had all been previously approved.

The Chair entertained a Motion to Affirm the Executive Director's prior approval of the three (3) Corporate events, two (2) Catoosa events, and three (3) West Siloam Springs events as listed. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried.

E. IHP TRANSFER REQUEST MEMO – J. PURCELL

Executive Director Purcell presented the IHP Memo to the Commission and requested approval as presented.

The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the transfer of the In-House Progressive funds to be moved to promotional funds for the direct benefit of CNE patrons. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by

Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried.

F. 23-01AP REVENUE FAR – A. IMHOFF

The Chair recognized Audra Imhoff to present item VIII.F. to the Commission. Ms. Imhoff requested the Revenue Final Audit Report be released for review. The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the release of the 23-01AP Revenue FAR. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion as stated; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried.

G. 23-03AP ACCOUNTING FAR – A. IMHOFF

The Chair recognized Ms. Imhoff present item VIII. G. to the Commission. Ms. Imhoff requested the 23-03AP Accounting Final Audit Report be released for review. The Chair entertained a Motion to approve the release of the Accounting FAR. Commissioner Hull made the Motion as stated; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried.

H. INVESTIGATIONS, LICENSES, & HEARINGS – J. PURCELL

None.

IX. Open Session:

Executive Director Purcell was recognized and noted the Sovereignty Symposium XXXV is coming up on June 12th and 13th.

X. Adjournment:

The Chair entertained a Motion to adjourn. Commissioner O’Leary Motioned to adjourn; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried and the Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.

Approval of Minutes


CHAIRMAN JOHN SPARKS


DATE