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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION:

11 January 2019
Cherokee Hills Golf Course
Catoosa

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

John Sparks, Chairman
Jennifer Goins, Commissioner
Janice Walters-Purcell, Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Steven Barrick, Commissioner

COMMISSION STAFF:

Jamie Hummingbird, Director
Rhonda Trumbla, Special Projects Officer
Traci Asher, Internal Audit Manager
Kelly Myers, Licensing Manager
Jeannie Bunch, Compliance Officer

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT: Gary Weddell, Gaming Operations
Bear Christensen, Compliance
Jennifer Province, Marketing
Reba Chambers, Compliance
Dena Geib, CNB Legal
Angela Jobe, IT
Donald Childers, VP Surveillance & Loss Prevention
Kyle Culver, Marketing
Joshua Anderson, Surveillance
Jon Warden, Surveillance Technology
Ben Blosch, Accounting
Jerry Keener, Loss Prevention
Rodney Fourkiller, General Manager
Lana Rivera, General Manager
Marinda Wacoche, Human Resources
Dustin Dye, Audit
Belinda Fuller, Audit

VISITORS:

Taylor Edwards, Office of the Attorney General

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CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sparks called the meeting to order at approximately 9:52 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairman Sparks
Commissioner Goins
Commissioner Purcell

Absent: Commissioner Barrick

A quorum was established.

Commissioner Goins motioned to move to Item VIII-I, then take up Items II – VIII-H after the conclusion of Item VIII-I; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Item I was taken up at this time. See respected line item below.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve the 7 December 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

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

Commissioner Goins motioned to enter into executive session at 10:32 a.m. for the CNE reports; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

CNE REPORTS:

A. FINANCIAL REPORT

B. FACILITIES REPORT

Commissioner Goins motioned to exit executive session at 10:55 a.m.; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

No action taken.

A break was taken at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

A. 2019 FACILITY LICENSES – D. WILSON

Jamie reported that at the December meeting there were some outstanding items needed to complete the facility licenses. The outstanding items were an updated surveillance plan, a complete liability insurance policy, a correction to the Roland security plan, and organizational charts.

A full copy of the insurance will not be available until February or March. They are able to show insurance that meets both compact requirements. This will be ongoing but is not a significant issue.

The Marshall Service is still in the process of revising the emergency preparedness plan and will provide to CNGC when complete. The Roland security plan was corrected to reflect the Roland Travel Plaza.

The organizational charts are expected to be submitted at the close of business this day. The facility licenses have been posted. No action necessary at this time.

B. VENDOR LICENSING REGULATION – J. HUMMINGBIRD

The Office of the Attorney General recommended the release of the proposed draft to be published under the Administrative Procedures Act (APA). Jamie recommended to authorize the release of the regulation for publishing under the APA.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve the recommendation; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

C. SICS SUBMITTAL REGULATION – J. HUMMINGBIRD

A copy of the 28 December 2018 opinion was recently provided to the Commissioners. Chairman Sparks entertained a motion to table consideration of the regulation to the next regularly scheduled meeting. Commissioner Purcell made that motion; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. PERMITS & LICENSES – K. MYERS

Kelly presented the following and requested approval.

1. Employees

- Ninety-two (92) individual(s) for temporary permits
- Forty-seven (47) individual(s) for suitability determination
- Two hundred and seven (207) Renewals for 1 February 2019

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

- Fifty-five (55) Orders

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried. Chairman Sparks abstained.

2. Vendor & Vendor Representatives

- Zero (0) new company orders for 4 January 2019
- Seven (7) individual orders for 4 January 2019
- Ten (10) company renewals for 1 February 2019
- Sixty-two (62) individual renewals for 1 February 2019

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

B. LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS – K. MYERS

Kelly presented three (3) new license classifications and requested approval. One (1) of those were to be placed as inactive.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

C. GAME & SYSTEM APPROVALS – T. TRUMBLA

Jamie presented the following and requested approval.

1. Electronic Game Themes

➤ IGT	3
➤ Everi	19
➤ Bally	6

OS/Main Programs

➤ Everi	1
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Gaming Components

➤ Everi	3
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Director Approved Items

➤ Aristocrat	3
➤ VGT	2
➤ Konami	1

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve as listed; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

2. Table & Card Games

Jamie reported that CNE submitted the Fortune 7 Baccarat table game for approval. All documentation for the game rules and promotional rules had been received. One outstanding issue is with the rack card and they have been meeting with CNE on this. The payment odds appear on the felt but not on the rack card. Jamie received a modified version of the rack card but not the final as CNE will be working on graphics and such. There are two (2) pieces of the game that are not listed on the revised rack card. CNGC will meet with CNE today to resolve this. Jamie requested approval for a delegation of authority for the Director to release for play the Fortune 7 Baccarat pending confirmation of the appropriate pay table information to be included on the promotional materials.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve the request; seconded by Commissioner Goins.

Commissioner Goins wanted to touch base with Bear to confirm they were under the same understanding as was presented. Bear confirmed.

Motion passed.

3. Systems

Jamie reported on a new Access Control System that is being requested by both Security and Surveillance. The system is the Open Options Software DNA Fusion Access Control System and will replace the Continuum Access Control System. CNGC has received all information with a few things being worked out with Operations on the cutover plan. Jamie requested approval for the new access control system.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins.

Joshua Anderson reported that this new system will integrate with the surveillance system and is more secure due to additional new components and features. Jamie added that the implementation plan will not require a lot of mechanical work since the existing infrastructure will remain intact. Many existing items will translate over to the new system. Jamie did not foresee any issues with the process but made his staff available if needed.

Motion passed.

D. PROMOTIONS & CALENDAR OF EVENTS – J. BUNCH

Jeannie presented the report and requested approval.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Jeannie presented an addendum promotions memo with a combined promotion for Roland and Sallisaw. She recommended approval.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

E. TOURNAMENTS – J. BUNCH

Jeannie made the presentation and requested approval.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve as distributed; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

F. IN-HOUSE PROGRESSIVE TRANSFERS – J. BUNCH

Jeannie presented and recommended approval for the transfer of retired in-house progressive (IHP) funds to promotional funds for the direct benefit of e-games patrons.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

G. SIQ GAMING LABORATORY RECOGNITION – J. HUMMINGBIRD

CNGC received a request from the Slovenian Institute of Quality and Metrology (SIQ) for recognition as an independent testing lab (ITL). The CNGC relies on ITLs to provide certifications that the games have met the technical standards by either the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) or the Compact. SIQ has opened an office in the United States within the past couple of years and have been recognized in a number of jurisdictions outside of Oklahoma.

In order to accept anything from SIQ the CNGC would need to recognize them as an ITL under the terms of the Compact and the NIGC technical standards. Information provided by SIQ included a copy of the certification and recognition supplied by the Oklahoma Horseracing Commission in 2018 and their renewal for 2019. Under provisions within 25CFR and Section 547, the NIGC recommends that the tribal gaming commissions accept testing laboratories after the TGRA makes a suitability determination on that particular vendor.

The Nevada Gaming Commission has also licensed SIQ after a very extensive background investigation and traveling to Slovenia to visit and examine their facilities. OHRC has accepted the Nevada Gaming Commission's background investigation and used it as the basis for certifying SIQ. CNGC also obtained a listing of a number of jurisdictions in the U.S. both tribal and non-tribal where SIQ has received their suitability determinations. CNGC feels comfortable based on the information provided. Jamie recommended authorization of SIQ as a testing lab, pursuant to the conditions listed in the memo provided in the packet.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

H. CNGC 2018 & 2019 AUDIT CYCLE UPDATE – T. ASHER

Traci reported that for the 2019 cycle they are currently conducting field work for the review of Revenue Audit and Pari-Mutuel Operations and should be completed in the next thirty (30) to forty-five (45) days. The Cage and Casino Instruments review provided in the packet is the final audit report and will conclude the 2018 cycle. Traci requested approval to release.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Jamie added that CNGC received an audit report from CNB two (2) days prior to this meeting. It will be included in the February packet.

The meeting proceeded to the Director's Report at this time.

I. INVESTIGATIONS, LICENSE ACTIONS & HEARINGS (EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUESTED) – K. MYERS

Commissioner Goins motioned to enter into executive session at 9:54 a.m. for briefings on the hearings and/or investigations and hear each individual as scheduled; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Chairman Goins motioned to exit executive session at 10:25 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried

Kelly made the following recommendations and requested approval:

Tabs 1-3

Action: License Denial

Tab 4 - Present

Action: Found suitable and granted a conditional license. No criminal activity for twelve (12) months. The applicant will provide a copy of the divorce documents per the commissioner's request.

Tabs 5-6

Action: License Denial

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve as recommended; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

The meeting returned to the order of agenda at Item III. See respective line item above.

DIRECTORS REPORT - J. HUMMINGBIRD

Jamie provided a supplement to the report in the packet alerting the Commissioners to a few developments. No action necessary.

OPEN SESSION:

Chairman Sparks was wished a happy birthday from CNGC. CNGC umbrellas were given to the Commissioners.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Goins motioned to adjourn at 11:52 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:



CHAIRMAN SPARKS



DATE