

## Osage Nation Gaming Commission Regular Meeting of the Gaming Commissioners Wednesday, December 13, 2023

## **APPROVED MINUTES**

1. Call to Order.

Chair Gary Weyl called the meeting of the Osage Nation Gaming Commissioners to order at 1:02pm.

2. Opening Prayer.

Elizabeth Hembree led the meeting in prayer.

3. Roll Call.

Amanda Frank, Administrative Assistant of the ONGC, called the roll. Present at the meeting were Gaming Commissioners Gary Weyl, Tammy Baldauff and Marsha Harlan, which constitutes a quorum needed to hold a meeting.

Also in attendance were: Elizabeth Hembree, Commission Director of the ONGC; Eugene Bertman, ONGC Attorney; Greg Laird, Attorney for the ONGE; Ashlee Hartness, Regulatory Compliance Director of Osage Casinos; Lacie Pahsetopah, Licensing Manager of the ONGC; Brandie Ryerson, Licensing Supervisor of the ONGC; Rachel Kelly, Investigative Agent of the ONGC; Konyak Linde, Compliance Manager of the ONGC; Cory Spotted Bear, Auditor of the ONGC; and present via conference call: Brandy Lemon, Osage Nation Congresswoman; Pam Shaw, Osage Nation Congresswoman; Whitney Redcorn, Osage Nation Congresswoman; Tyler McIntosh, Treasurer of the Osage Nation; and James Aldridge, Osage Nation Deputy Chief of Staff.

4. Commissioners to review, consider and take action regarding the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 11/15/23.

Motion made by Commissioner Baldauff to approve the minutes from 11/15/23.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Harlan.

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

## 5. Reports:

- a. Commission Director's Reports:
  - Ms. Hembree provided the Commissioners with the ONGC monthly work product, a current Staffing Report, Year to Date logs of information on the following: Prize Claims, Tort Claims, Bans, approved SICS, and OC Marketing Promotions.
- b. <u>Osage Nation Gaming Enterprise</u>: Greg Laird and Ashlee Hartness were present and asked about the ONGEB Request and a pending exempt sponsorship; both matters will be discussed in Executive Session.
- c. <u>Principal Chief's Office</u>: James Aldridge present with nothing to report.
- d. <u>Osage Nation Congress:</u> Brandy Lemon, Pam Shaw, and Whitney Redcorn were present with nothing to report.

- e. Osage Nation Attorney General's Office: No parties present.
- f. <u>Citizen Input</u>: No parties present.
- 6. Commissioners to review, consider, and take action if necessary on any new business not previously discussed.
  - i. Commissioner Weyl presented Commissioner Bauldauff with a blanket as a gift for service to the ONGC.
  - ii. Ms. Hembree presented the invoices for AmericanChecked and attorney fees for approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to approve the invoice for AmericanChecked.

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Baldauff.** 

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to approve the invoice for attorney fees. Motion Seconded by Commissioner Baldauff.

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

- 7. Commissioners to review, consider, and take action if necessary on any old business. No discussion.
- 8. Commissioners to review, consider, and take action, if necessary on any of the above reports. No discussion.
- 9. Proposed executive session to discuss confidential proprietary, investigative and/or personnel matters at 1:22pm.

Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to enter into Executive Session.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Baldauff.

Motion Passed:

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

10. Commissioners vote to return to open session at 3:02pm.

Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to come out of Executive Session.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Baldauff.

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

11. Commissioners to review, consider, and take action if necessary on any items discussed in Executive Session.

Motion made by Commissioner Baldauff to approve CON-24-02.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Harlan.

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to deny the request by the ONGEB and to direct

Attorney Bertman to draft a letter to the Board in response.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Baldauff.

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to approve NOC-24-01.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Baldauff.

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

- 12. Chair Gary Weyl announced that the next regular meeting would be held on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 1:00pm, at the ONGC Office in Pawhuska.
- 13. Adjournment at 3:07pm.

Motion made by Commissioner Baldauff to adjourn.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Harlan.

**Motion Passed:** 

Commissioner Weyl: YES
Commissioner Baldauff: YES
Commissioner Harlan: YES

Approved by the Gaming Commissioners on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024.

Amanda Frank, ONGC Administrative Assistant

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