



CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION:

April 4, 2025
Roland, Cherokee Casino
109 Cherokee Blvd
Roland, OK 74954

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

COMMISSION STAFF:

Audra Imhoff, Executive Director
Cody Quetone, Licensing Manager
Indy Hicks, CNGC IT
Kelsey Vann, Compliance Manager
Tim Forrest, Audit Manager
Amy Calico, Executive Assistant
Shandie Hughes, Licensing Agent

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT: Angelia Jobe, CNE IT

Bear Christensen, CNE Compliance
Zachary Nix, CNE Accounting
Reba Chambers, CNE Compliance
Kyle Culver, CNE Marketing
BJ Harrington, Corporate Gaming
Jennifer Hancock, CNE Compliance
Mickey Ward, CNE Operations
Jennifer Watkins, CNE Compliance

VISITORS:

Paiten Qualls, CN Office of the Attorney General
Melvina Shotpouch, CN Tribal Council
Jeff Jones, Attorney

CHEROKEE GAMING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
April 4, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Sparks called the meeting to order at 9:36am.

II. ROLL CALL:

Amy Calico called Roll.

Present: Chairman Sparks
Commission DeLozier
Commissioner Birdwell
Commissioner Hull
Commissioner O’Leary

Absent:

Five (5) Commissioners were present, and a quorum was established.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner DeLozier made the motion to approve the Agenda; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried and the Agenda was approved.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the March 7, 2025, Minutes. Commissioner Hull made the Motion to approve the Minutes; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Let the record reflect that Chairman Sparks abstains from the vote. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Jeff Jones – Attorney

VI. CNE REPORTS:

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

The Motion carried and the Commission entered Executive Session to discuss items VI.A-F and VII at 9:42 am.

A. Financial

B. Facilities

C. Project Fusion Updates

D. Litigation

E. Compacts

The reports under item VI.A-E were received in Executive Session and no action was taken.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

A. NIGC

B. Executive Director's Report

The reports under item VII. A-B were received in Executive Session and no action was taken.

The Chair entertained the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 10:18am.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Permits & Licenses-

1. Employees Temporary:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Seventy-Four (74) Temporary Permits, Forty-Five (45) Suitability Determinations and Eighteen (18) Orders. Commissioner Hull made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

2. Employees Renewal:

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the One Hundred (110) Renewals. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

3. Vendor New Company:

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve Twenty-Three (23) Individual Orders for April 4, 2025. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary.

4. Vendor Renewals:

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve Nine (9) Company Renewals, Seventy-Five (75) Individual Renewals for May 2, 2025. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

5. License Classifications

The Chair entertained a Motion to Affirm the previously provided approval from the Executive Director. The 1 PMO & 1 Key Positions listed in the License Classifications. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

B. Game & System Approvals

1. Electronic Gaming Machine Approvals – K. Vann

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

- 34 new electronic game themes
- 4 new OS/main programs
- 1 new gaming cabinets

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

2. Electronic Gaming Machine Affirmations – K. Vann

The Chair entertained the Motion to Affirm the Two (2) Executive Director's approvals previously granted as listed in EGM Memo:

- 2 new OS/main programs

Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. The Chair asked for any questions, no questions. The Motion passes, the approvals were affirmed.

C. IHP Removal Transfer Request Memo – K. Vann

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

D. SICS – K. Vann

The Chair entertained the Motion to Approve the Five (5) revised changes to the System Internal Control Standards as listed:

- CAG206 Payouts
- CAG600 Loyalty Program
- PKR004 Poker Operations
- PKR005 Dealing Procedures
- MMD003 Vendor Access

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

E. 25-04AP Table Games and Tournaments FAR – T. Forrest

The Chair entertained the Motion to release the 25-04AP Table Games and Tournaments Final Audit Report. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion passes.

F. TICS Card Games Review – Information Only – T. Forrest

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

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

The Chair entertained the Motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving the Investigations, Licenses, and Hearings. Commissioner O’Leary made the motion to enter Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The Motion carried and the Commission entered Executive Session at approximately 10:39am.

The Chair entertained the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner Hull made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 11:46am.

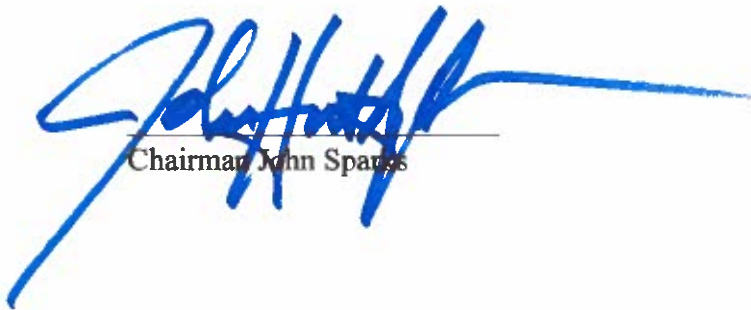
OPEN SESSION

1059226 Motion to Extend the Employee's Continued License One Hundred and Twenty (120) days, contingent upon the resolution of the matter at the Cherokee Nation District Court. So long as his council of record appears with the status update in-person on May 2, 2025, in Tahlequah. As well as an email update on May 30, 2025. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any debate. Motion Passes.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair entertained the Motion to Adjourn. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. The Motion carried and the Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:51am.

Approval of Minutes:



Chairman John Sparks

May 2, 2025
Date