## OKLAHOMA HORSE RACING COMMISSION

## REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021 AT 9:30 A.M.

## **MINUTES**

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Keener called the meeting to order at 9:37a.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioners answering roll call were Commissioner Goumaz, Secretary Sanders, Commissioner Anderson, Vice Chair Lucas, and Chairman Keener. Commissioner Marcum joined the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Absent from the Meeting were Commissioner Kirk, Commissioner Wright and Commissioner Von Hemel,

#### A. <u>MINUTES</u>

 The drafted Minutes of the March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting will be considered for approval.

After announcing the agenda item, Chairman Keener called for a vote on the minutes from March 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting. Commissioner Sanders motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Goumaz seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Aye: Secretary Sanders, Commissioner Goumaz, Chairman Keener, and

Vice Chair Lucas answered "yes" for the portion of the meeting for

which he was present.

Nays: None

Abstain: Commissioner Anderson

Motion passed 4-0

2. The drafted Minutes of the April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Special Scheduled Commission Meeting will be considered for approval.

Secretary Sanders motioned to approve the minutes from the April 9<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

Aye: Secretary Sanders, Commissioner Anderson, Vice Chair Lucas and

Chairman Keener

Nay: None

Abstain: Commissioner Goumaz

Motion passed 4-0

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS ARE PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSION.

### B. PROPOSED FY-2022 AGENCY BUDGET.

Secretary Sanders presented the FY 2022 Agency Budget to the Commission and asked if there were any questions. After some discussion, Commissioner Goumaz motioned to approve the FY 2022 Budget as presented. Vice Chair Lucas seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

Aye: Commissioner Goumaz, Vice Chair Lucas, Secretary Sanders,

Commissioner Anderson, and Chairman Keener

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed 5-0

Chairman Keener announced that the Commission would skip to Item C and go to Item D and return to the prior agenda item later.

D. GLOBAL GAMING RP, LLC'S REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF MORTGAGE REFINANCE OF REMINGTON PARK LEASEHOLD ESTATE AND PLEDGE OF REMINGTON PARK ASSETS

Chairman Keener announced the agenda item and gave the floor to Global Gaming RP, LLC attorney, Jared Easterling. Mr. Easterling gave a presentation sharing the terms and conditions of the mortgage refinance they requested. After discussion and questions, Vice Chair Lucas motioned to approve the request. Commissioner Goumaz seconded the motion.

Aye: Vice Chair Lucas, Commissioner Goumaz, Secretary Sanders,

Commissioner Anderson, and Chairman Keener.

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed 5-0

## E. RECOMMENDATION FROM THE OKLAHOMA-BRED ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Executive Director, Kelly Cathey discussed the recommendations with the Commission from the May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Oklahoma Bred Advisory committee, a multidisciplinary group comprised of industry participants, subject matter experts, stakeholders, Oklahoma Bred Officials, and the Executive Director. Mr. Cathey described their new efforts to attract newcomers to the Oklahoma Bred program. After discussion concerning the recommendations, Commissioner Goumaz motioned to accept the recommendations of the Oklahoma Bred Advisory Council. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Aye: Commissioner Goumaz, Commissioner Anderson, Secretary

Sanders, Vice Chair Lucas, and Chairman Keener.

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed 5-0

## F. REMINGTON PARK'S REQUEST TO AMEND CY 2021 LIVE RACE DAYS FOR FALL THOROUGHBRED RACE MEETING.

Chairman Keener announced the agenda item and gave Vice President of Operation at Remington Park, Mr. Matt Vance the floor to address their request

to amend the horse racing schedule. Mr. Vance stated that the amendment was being requested for simulcast purposes. The changes would occur during the Fall Thoroughbred Racing season at Remington Park only. Mr. Vance confirmed TRAO's agreement with the amendments. TRAO's letter of support was provided to the Commission. Vice Chair Lucas motioned to approve the amendments to the Live Race Calendar as requested. Secretary Sanders seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Aye: Vice Chair Lucas, Secretary Sanders Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Goumaz, and Chairman Keener.

Nay:

None

Abstain:

None

Motion passed 5-0

# G. REMINGTON PARK'S PROPOSAL FOR BARN RENOVATIONS AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CY 2021 QUARTER HORSE, PAINT, AND APPALOOSA RACE MEET.

Chairman Keener announced the item and turned the floor to Mr. Vance. Mr. Vance gave a brief overview of the project and introduced Head of Construction, Ken Stonecipher, for a more detailed description of the new project. Vice Chair Lucas confirmed that the OQHRA and TRAO would be allowed input. Vice Chair Lucas offered a motion to approve the Barn Renovations as presented. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion.

Commissioner Marcum joined the meeting during the discussion on this item. The time was 9:50 a.m.

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Vice Chair Lucas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Goumaz, Secretary Sanders, Commissioner Marcum, and Chairman Keener.

Nay:

None

Abstain:

None

Motion passed 6-0

At 9:54 a.m., Chairman Keener recused herself from the meeting and announced that Vice Chair Lucas would preside over the meeting for the next agenda item.

# C. <u>CONTINUED DELIBERATIONS REGARDING THE APPEAL OF</u> <u>MARCOS CARRIZALES, TRAINER REGARDING STEWARDS'</u> <u>ORDER 20-RP-23A.</u>

Vice Chair Lucas announced that before the Commission was the Final Order with amendments as discussed and to be considered at a future meeting per the Commission instructions at the March meeting. He further explained that the agenda item allowed for an executive session if it pleased the Commission and that the floor was now open for a motion. Secretary Sanders motioned to approve the Final Order as amended. Commissioner Goumaz seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Aye: Secretary Sanders, Commissioner Goumaz, Commissioner Marcum, Commissioner Anderson, and Vice Chair Lucas.

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed 5-0

Chairman Keener returned to the meeting at 9:56 a.m.

# H. PROPOSED FY-2022 PARI-MUTUEL AND GAMING AUDITING CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE OKLAHOMA HORSE RACING COMMISSION AND THE OFFICE OF STATE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR (SA&I).

Chairman Keener announced the item and called for a motion. In her announcement, Chairman Keener confirmed that the costs of the contracts were the same from last year. Secretary Sanders motioned to authorize the FY 2022 Auditing Contracts with the State Auditor and Inspectors Office. Commissioner Goumaz seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Aye: Secretary Sanders, Commissioner Goumaz, Commissioner Marcum, Commissioner Anderson, Vice Chair Lucas, and Chairman Keener.

Nay: None

Abstain:

None

Motion passed 6-0

# I. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO PRESENT A PROPOSED SLATE OF NOMINEES FOR COMMISSION OFFICERS FOR FY-2022.

Chairman Keener described the agenda item and stated that she had spoken with Commissioners Wright, Kirk and Marcum about being on the nominating committee for Commission Officers for FY 2022, with Commissioner Wright serving as Chair. Chairman Keener stated that the new officers would be presented at the June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Meeting. Commissioner Goumaz moved to appoint the Nominating Committee as recommended. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Aye: Commissioner Goumaz, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Marcum, Secretary Sanders, Vice Chair Lucas, and Chairman Keener.

Nay:

None

Abstain:

None

Motion passed 6-0

# J. ANY MATTER NOT KNOWN ABOUT OR WHICH COULD NOT HAVE BEEN REASONABLY FORESEEN PRIOR TO POSTING THE AGENDA.

There were none.

## K. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

5/26/2021 – Last Day of Thoroughbred Race Meet at Will Rogers Downs.

**5/29/2021** – Last Day of Quarter Horse, Appaloosa and Paint Race Meets at Remington Park.

5/31/2021 - Holiday [Memorial Day].

**6/3/2021** – Deadline for submitting agenda topics for the June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Regularly Scheduled Meeting.

**6/4/2021** – First Day of Thoroughbred, Quarter Horse, Paint and Appaloosa Race Meeting at Fair Meadows.

6/17/2021 - Commission Regularly Scheduled Meeting.

Vice Chair Lucas asked if there were any announcements from the crowd. Mrs. Krissy Bamberg announced that she had been appointed as the new Executive Director to OQHRA. The Commission and well-wishers in attendance bid her good luck and congratulations with their applause.

Chairman Keener declared the meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

APPROVED THIS 17th DAY OF JUNE 2021.

Wendy Keener, Chairman

On Behalf of the Commission:

ATTEST:

Kelly G. Cathey, Executive Director

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In conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, advance notice of this regular Commission meeting was originally transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on October 22nd, 2020; and public notice of this meeting, together with the agenda was posted in prominent view in the lobby of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, Oklahoma City on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The announcement of the CY 2021 Commission meetings was posted on the OHRC website on October 22nd, 2020. The agenda for this meeting was posted on the OHRC Website, www.ohrc.org, on May 14th<sup>th</sup>, 2021.