

**OKLAHOMA HORSE RACING COMMISSION**  
**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024, AT 9:30 A.M.**

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

Vice Chairman Pilcher called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Commissioners answering roll call were, Commissioner Burget, Commissioner Brookover, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Craig, Commissioner Murray, Secretary Anderson, and Vice Chairman Pilcher. Commissioner(s) absent were Chairman Sanders

**A. MINUTES**

The Minutes from the **August 15, 2024**, meeting were considered.

Secretary Anderson moved, and Commissioner Craig seconded to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2024, meeting. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 8-0-0

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

**B. WILL ROGERS DOWNS UPDATE ON TORNADO REPAIR, PROGRESS, AND ANTICIPATED BARN REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE**

Vice Chairman Pilcher announced consideration of Item B, after which, Dr. John Chancey, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, presented on behalf of Mr. Mark Enterline, regarding the status of repairs and replacements to the property.

No action was taken.

**C. REMINGTON PARK REQUEST TO AMEND CY 2025 LIVE RACEDAYS FOR THE THOROUGHBRED RACE MEET**

Vice Chairman Pilcher announced consideration of Item C, after which, Kelly Cathey, Director of Racing at Remington Park presented to the Commission. Mr. Cathey requested approval to modify the September and December dates listed in the CY 2025 Remington Park Fall Thoroughbred Race Meet.

Commissioner McNally moved and Commissioner Carter seconded to approve the modification. The vote was as follows.

Motion passed 8-0-0

**D. POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN CHAPTERS IN RULES OF RACING AND RULES OF RACETRACK GAMING UNDER PERMANENT RULEMAKINGS**

Vice Chairman Pilcher announced consideration of Item D. Richard Herren, General Counsel for the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, thanked the Rules Committee, horsemen and industry professionals for their participation in the rule making process. Mr. Herren requested the Commission authorize the opening of Chapter 45 for permanent rule making. Mr. Herren then presented the proposed rules the Rules Committee determined should be initially adopted and advance in the permanent rule making process including amendments to Chapters 1, 15, 25, 45, 60, & 75.

Secretary Anderson moved and Commissioner Burget seconded to approve opening the permanent rulemaking process for Chapter 45. The vote was as follows.

Motion passed 8-0-0

Secretary Anderson moved and Commissioner Brookover seconded to approve adopting the amendments to the *Rules of Racing* including Chapters 1, 15, 25, 45, 60, & 75 and advancing in the permanent rule making process. The vote was as follows.

Motion passed 8-0-0

**E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 25 O.S. § 307(B)(1), TO DISCUSS THE “THE EMPLOYMENT, HIRING, APPOINTMENT,**

**PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISCIPLINING OR RESIGNATION”  
OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4),  
CONSISTENT WITH 2005 OK AG 29 ¶ 13, FOR THE PURPOSE  
OF CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE  
BOARD AND LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING A PENDING  
INVESTIGATION WHERE COUNSEL HAS DETERMINED THAT  
DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION RELATED TO THE MATTER  
“WILL SERIOUSLY IMPAIR THE ABILITY OF THE  
[COMMISSION] TO PROCESS THE CLAIM OR CONDUCT A  
PENDING INVESTIGATION, LITIGATION, OR PROCEEDING IN  
THE PUBLIC INTEREST”**

Vice Chairman Pilcher announced Item E.

Commissioner McNally moved to go into Executive Session with Commission Legal Advisor, Ms. Niki Batt. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 5-3-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission entered Executive Session at 9:43 am.

Commissioner McNally moved to reconvene Open Session. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 8-0-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission returned to Open Session at 10:00 am.

No action was taken.

**F. ANY MATTER NOT KNOWN ABOUT OR WOULD NOT HAVE  
BEEN REASONABLY FORSEEN PRIOR TO POSTING THE  
AGENDS 25O.S. § 311 (A)(10)**

**G. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**10/31/2024-** Agenda Topic deadline for the November Commission Meeting

**11/06/2024-** Oklahoma Bred Advisory Meeting

**11/11/2024-** Veteran’s Day Holiday

**11/14/2024-** Regularly scheduled Commission Meeting

**11/28/2024- 11/29/2024-** Thanksgiving Holiday

**H. ADJOURNMENT..... Vice Chairman Pilcher**

Vice Chairman Pilcher adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

Approved this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.

Chairman Sanders

On the behalf of the Commission:

ATTEST:

Richard D. Herren

Richard D. Herren, General Counsel

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 September 22, 2023; 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 October 14, 2024. The announcement of the CY 2024 Commission meetings was posted on the OHRC website on September 7, 2023. The agenda for this meeting was posted on the OHRC Website, [www.ohrc.ok.gov](http://www.ohrc.ok.gov), on October 14, 2024.