



**Osage Nation Gaming Commission  
Regular Meeting of the Gaming Commissioners  
Wednesday, January 10, 2024**

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**APPROVED MINUTES**

1. Call to Order.

Chair Gary Weyl called the meeting of the Osage Nation Gaming Commissioners to order at 1:05pm.

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 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; Lori Cochrane, Senior Auditor of the ONGC; Cory Spotted Bear, Caleb Bruce, Crystal Anderson and Lee Bowman, Auditors of the ONGC; and present via conference call: Brandy Lemon, Osage Nation Congresswoman; James Aldridge, Osage Nation Deputy Chief of Staff; and Benny Polacca, Osage News.

4. Commissioners to review, consider and take action regarding the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 12/13/23.

**Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to approve the minutes from 12/13/23.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Weyl.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: YES**

**Commissioner Harlan: YES**

5. Reports:

a. Commission Director's Reports:

- i. 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. Osage Nation Gaming Enterprise: Greg Laird and Ashlee Hartness were present with nothing to report.

c. Principal Chief's Office: James Aldridge present with nothing to report.

d. Osage Nation Congress: Brandy Lemon present and informed the Commission that Congress will have a Special Session on 1/30/2024.

e. Osage Nation Attorney General's Office: No parties present.

f. Citizen Input: Benny Polacca present with nothing to report.

6. Commissioners to review, consider, and take action if necessary on any new business not previously discussed.

i. Ms. Hembree presented the final revisions for TICS-24-01 for approval.

**Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to approve TICS-24-01.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Weyl.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: YES**

**Commissioner Harlan: YES**

ii. Ms. Hembree presented the FY24 ONGC 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report for approval.

**Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to approve the ONGC 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Weyl.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: YES**

**Commissioner Harlan: YES**

iii. Ms. Hembree presented the invoices for AmericanChecked and attorney fees for approval.

**Motion made by Commissioner Weyl to approve the invoice for AmericanChecked.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Harlan.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: YES**

**Commissioner Harlan: YES**

**Motion made by Commissioner Weyl to approve the invoice for attorney fees.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Harlan.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: 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 1:20pm.

**Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to enter into Executive Session.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Weyl.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: YES**

**Commissioner Harlan: YES**

10. Commissioners vote to return to open session at 2:38pm.

**Motion made by Commissioner Weyl to come out of Executive Session.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Harlan.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: 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 Weyl to continue the ONGEB Request to the next meeting.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Harlan.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: YES**

**Commissioner Harlan: YES**

12. Chair Gary Weyl announced that the next regular meeting would be held on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 1:00pm, at the ONGC Office in Pawhuska.

13. Adjournment at 2:39pm.

**Motion made by Commissioner Harlan to adjourn.**

**Motion Seconded by Commissioner Weyl.**

**Motion Passed:**

**Commissioner Weyl: YES**

**Commissioner Harlan: YES**

Approved by the Gaming Commissioners on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2024.

*Amanda Frank*

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