

OKLAHOMA HORSE RACING COMMISSION
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2025, AT 9:30 A.M.

MINUTES

Call to Order

Chairman Anderson 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, and Chairman Anderson. No Commissioner(s) were absent as Chairman Sanders is deceased and Vice-Chairman Pilcher resigned.

A. MINUTES

The Minutes from the **November 14, 2024**, meeting were considered.

Commissioner Burget moved, and Commissioner Craig seconded to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2024, meeting. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

B. MINUTES

The Minutes from the **November 21, 2024**, special meeting were considered.

Commissioner Burget moved, and Commissioner Murray seconded to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2024, special meeting. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

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

C. REPORT BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DR. JOHN CHANCEY

Chairman Anderson announced consideration of Item C. Dr. John Chancey, Executive Director for the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, presented to the Commission and answered questions.

No action was taken

D. REMINGTON PARK CONSTRUCTION UPDATES ON FOUR (4) BUILDING, REPAIR, AND/OR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Chairman Anderson announced consideration of Item D. Ken Stonecipher, with Global Gaming Solutions, presented to the Commission and answered questions.

No action was taken.

E. POSSIBLE FINAL ACTION ON PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN CHAPTERS IN RULES OF RACING UNDER PERMANENT RULEMAKING

Chairman Anderson announced consideration of Item E. Richard Herren, General Counsel for the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, presented to the Commission and answered questions.

Commissioner McNally moved to adopt the amendments to the *Rules of Racing* including Chapters 1, 15, 25, 45, 60, & 75 rule amendments as presented. Commissioner Craig seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

F. DIRECTIVE REGARDING THE JOCKEY MOUNT FEE CHANGES AS PROPOSED IN COMMISSIONS PERMANENT RULE MAKING AT 325:25-1-30 (2025-D-1) AND ADOPTING THE ACTUAL LANGUAGE

Chairman Anderson announced consideration of Item F. Richard Herren, General Counsel for the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, presented to the Commission and answered questions.

Commissioner McNally moved to approve the directive consistent with the proposed rule changes regarding rule 25-1-30 concerning Jockey mount fees. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

G. PETITION FOR APPEAL FILED ON BEHALF OF GARY WALKER (OWNER/TRAINER)

Chairman Anderson announced consideration of Item G. The Appellant, Mr. Gary Walker presented and was not represented by legal counsel. The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission was represented by General Counsel, Richard Herren, who presented.

Commissioner Burget moved to go into Executive Session with Commission Legal Advisor, Ms. Sandra Balzer, and Ms. Niki Batt. Commissioner Craig seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission entered Executive Session at 10:56 am.

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

Motion passed 7-0-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission returned to Open Session at 11:41 am.

Commissioner Burget moved, and Commissioner Murray seconded to take no action. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 4-3-0

H. OHRC RESPONSE TO ARTICLE “SOMETHING DOESN’T SMELL RIGHT AT THE OKLAHOMA HORSE RACING COMMISSION”, WRITTEN BY JOE CARTER AND PUBLISHED IN THE NORMAN TRANSCRIPT, NOVEMBER 14, 2024

Chairman Anderson announced consideration of Item G.

Commissioner Carter moved, and Commissioner Craig seconded to take no

action. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

I. **NEW BUSINESS: ANY MATTER NOT KNOWN ABOUT OR WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN REASONABLY FORSEEN PRIOR TO POSTING THE AGENDA 25 O.S. § 311(A)(10)**

I. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

02/06/2025- Agenda Topic Submission Deadline for February 20, 2025 Meeting

02/17/2025- Presidents' Holiday

02/20/2025- Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting

ADJOURNMENT..... Mr. Anderson, Chair

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

Approved this 20th day of February 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Bennett R. Anderson", is written over a horizontal line.

Chairman Anderson

On behalf of the Commission:

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Richard D. Herren", is written over a horizontal line.

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 August 29, 2024; 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 January 10, 2025. The announcement of the CY 2025 Commission meetings was posted on the OHRC website on August 29, 2024. The agenda for this meeting was posted on the OHRC Website, www.ohrc.ok.gov, on January 10, 2025.